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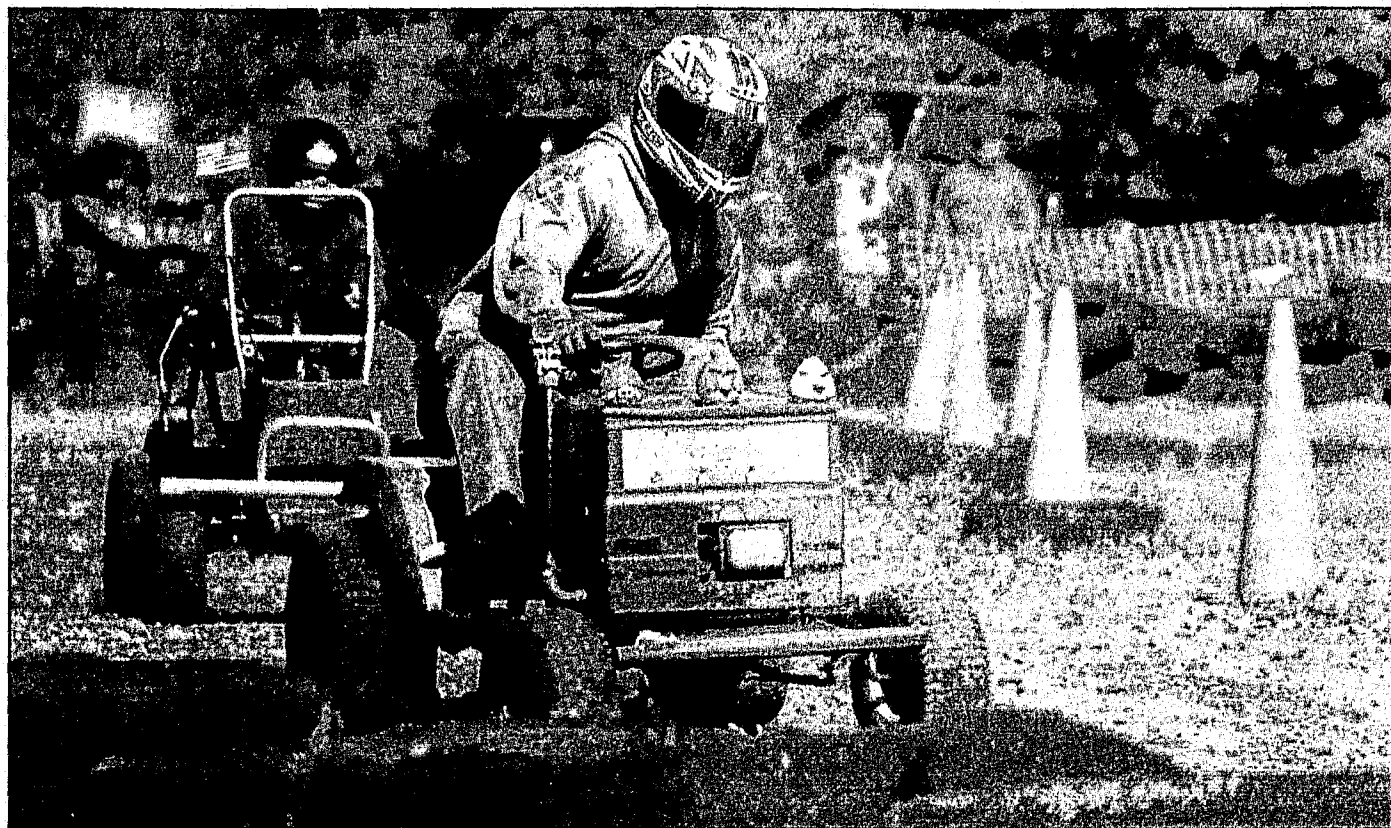
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Putting the pedal to the metal at the Andover Mow-tor Speedway



The Andover Motor Speedway was the scene Saturday of lawn mowers racing each other around a winding track flanked by old tires. The event had become so popular in recent years at the Andover Olde Home Days that organizers decided to hold a "Fall Classic." Two heats, one shown here with Chris Taylor leading, preceded the main race. Seven drivers competed in the main event, with Esau Cooper passing Andy Morton on the last lap to win. Cooper said the only specification is that the "vehicles" have a lawnmower chassis. More photos, Page 6.

A. Aloisio

SAD 44 School Board:

## New Adult Ed director; land purchase negotiations; board transparency

BY AMY WIGHT  
CHAPMAN

The SAD 44 School Board on Tuesday unanimously approved the nomination of Lois Ruff as the district's new director of adult and community education.

Ruff has served as acting director since the resignation of former ACE Director Jeanne Waite in June. Superintendent David Murphy said she was chosen from among five applicants, four of whom were interviewed by THS Principal Cheryl Lang, Director of Special Services and Curriculum Paula Leavitt, Business Manager Bruce Powell, and Murphy.

He told the School Board that Ruff, who has been the lead instructor for the program for more than a de-

cade, is eligible for conditional certification, and will complete the requirements for final certification as soon as possible.

Ruff will be signed to a year-round contract, to include a salary of \$52,829 for the first year, with the salary for the second year of the contract to be negotiated. She will receive the same benefits package offered to building administrators.

**LAND PURCHASE**  
The School Board entered executive session for a discussion on the possible acquisition of land abutting the Telstar athletic fields.

Following the session, the board voted to authorize Murphy to negotiate the best possible purchase price for the 40-acre lot.

Murphy will report back on

the negotiations. Any eventual decision by the School Board on the purchase of the property would be subject to the approval of district voters.

**TRANSPARENCY**  
Pursuant to recent discussions of transparency, Chair Lainey Cross said she had received a suggestion that more information be provided by committee chairs when they report to the full board.

She also suggested that if a committee has not met since the last board meeting, the committee chair should state that fact, instead of simply saying that the committee has nothing to report, which she said could be misconstrued as a failure to report the proceedings of a meeting.

Education Committee Chair Roberta Taylor told the board that her committee had met at the 4-H Learning Center, where they had an opportunity to tour the facility and speak with Telstar ninth graders about the program.

Taylor updated the board on alternative learning opportunities in which some Telstar students are participating, including several individualized on-line learning programs as well as the THS/CMCC collaborative program.

Newly director Bonnie Largess reported that the Finance Committee had reviewed the district's investment strategy with Business Manager Bruce Powell, who

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## Argument made for non-users to share in Bethel sewer costs

BY ALISON ALOISIO

A Bethel hearing Monday on a proposed new definition for "dwelling unit" for sewer billing purposes expanded into a debate on whether all taxpayers - not just those on the sewer system - should share in the fixed costs of the treatment plant.

The new definition is intended to be more precise in order to satisfy some sewer ratepayers who are unhappy that their older apartment buildings are now being billed for sewer use by each separate unit (see last week's Citizen for details).

A special Town Meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Town Office to consider the new definition.

Selectman Don Bennett said a town Fees Committee, currently working separately on a new sewer rate structure, would likely use a percentage of the base sewer

charge to apply to the other units in a building, such as an apartment building. He said the percentage being considered would probably result in a small increase per unit. He also said the minimum cubic foot use threshold might be adjusted.

But at Monday's hearing, sewer ratepayer Bob Laux objected to the proposed new dwelling unit definition, arguing that it should be broadened to include such places as lodging rooms and Gould Academy dormitory rooms.

- Harry Faulkner Laux said without a

broad sharing of the costs, a group of ratepayers is considering a class action suit against the town.

Ratepayer Ross Swan said he wanted to see what the new rate structure would be before the town votes on the definition. "We don't trust you, plain and simple," he told selectmen.

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## "Laps for 'Leukemia'" at Telstar Saturday

"Laps for Leukemia," a fundraiser to benefit two Telstar High School students battling leukemia, will take place Saturday morning at the Telstar track.

Regan Kauf and Jonathon Locke both have the disease. Since last week Kauf has been hospitalized and fighting for her life against an infection, according to a "Team Regan" Facebook page.

In the past month the school has held special days to support each student. In conjunction with a pep rally for the school's sports teams, students and staff wore orange for Kauf - her favorite color and also the

official color symbolizing leukemia awareness. They also donated toward her expenses.

They followed up with a "Jeans for Jonathon" day.

For Saturday's event, participants are asked to wear orange, donate what money they can and walk on the track for a time between 9 and 11 a.m.

In case of rain, the walk will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1.

For more information, call the Telstar High School office at 824-2136.

There is also a fundraising effort at [www.gofundme.com/TeamRegan](http://www.gofundme.com/TeamRegan).



This sign outside Philbrook Place in Bethel asked for support for Regan Kauf in her battle against leukemia. A. Aloisio

BY AMY WIGHT  
CHAPMAN

Two of Lakeside Cemetery's "prominent and permanent citizens" - merchant and showman Ezra Stephens and 33rd Maine Governor Sidney Perham - entertained at the recent fall meeting of the Maine Old Cemetery Association in Bryant Pond.

About 50 members of MOCA attended the meeting at the Franklin Grange Hall, hosted by the Woodstock Historical Society.

Joyce Howe, author of a recent book about Woodstock's cemeteries, gave a history of the town, and WHS President Larry Bonney provided a history of the I.W. Andrews Casket factory.

Elsie Bonney spoke on the

history of the "white bronze" cemetery markers, actually made of zinc, that can be found in some of Woodstock's cemeteries.

WHS members served a noon meal of soups and sandwiches, after which both the society's building on Main Street and the Bryant Pond Universalist Church were opened for tours.

The historical society voted last spring to take over ownership of the church, constructed in 1852. Services had not been held there for about a decade, and the Northern New England District of the Unitarian Universalist Church Association had owned it since 1921.

The afternoon featured a "Ghost Walk" at the cemetery adjacent to the church,

with live portrayals of two of two prominent Woodstock natives who are buried there.

Wayne Howe reprised the role he played for Woodstock's Bicentennial celebration in June, that of 19th century circus owner Ezra Stephens.

Stephens' larger-than-life personality, his success as a showman, and the sensational circumstances of his death all contributed to his renown.

In the 1850s, he branched out from storekeeping when he became the owner of a trained bear and began to exhibit it around the Northeast.

He soon added other exhibits, from dancing turkeys to a "cockatoo" he created by

dyeing the feathers of an ordinary Leghorn chicken.

He traveled with his circus for nearly four decades, becoming known as "the Barnum of Maine," before retiring back to his store in Bryant Pond in 1892.

In 1899, Stephens gathered with several friends at his store to discuss a robbery that had taken place there the night before.

According to a report in the Boston Sunday Globe, he served them liquor from a bottle that had previously contained creosote "and still had some of the poison dried upon the bottom and sides in quantities so small as to be unnoticed."

Most of the men drank

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## Letters

### DRIVER'S ACTIONS INEXCUSABLE

To the Editor:

I was returning from a bike ride on Monday, Oct. 12, about half a mile from my house on the Intervale Road in Bethel when a car was coming towards me and a truck from behind. It was a dangerous spot for the truck to pass so I put out my hand to signal to truck driver that he probably shouldn't pass there, it was not safe. He proceeded to slam on his brakes, screech his tires and leave tread on the road. I immediately bailed off the road into a yard where I stopped.

The truck driver, with a young boy in the front seat and a grin on his face, rolled down the passenger side window and said "Yah." He obviously was not concerned about his actions. When I told him I put my hand out to let him know that it wasn't safe for him to pass his response was "Yah, I saw ya" and continued on his way.

He had plenty of time to slow down, he could have apologized for his unsafe driving practices and scaring me to death but instead he drove off. His actions are inexcusable and only sends a message that truck drivers are all jerks (I would prefer a stronger word here) but I know his is not true. Some drivers are obnoxious, selfish, rude and unsafe.

Fortunately, most drivers in Bethel were courteous, aware and shared the road with people of all ages who are bikers, walkers, strollers, runners and roller skiers. Thanks Bethel for being being courteous to others on the road.

Ann Speth  
Bethel

### SUPERINTENDENT SALARY COMPARISON

To the Editor:

Here is an interesting tidbit. This is straight from the Maine Data Warehouse for Superintendents Salaries: Rick Colpitts, SAD 17, 3,481 students, makes \$116,161. David Murphy, SAD 44, 765 students, makes \$118,436.

Gary Drown  
Newry

### THANKS FROM BLUE

To the Editor:

On behalf of Blue, the staff at Bethel Animal Hospital would like to say a huge thank you. From the moment Leanne posted his picture on Facebook, we have been overwhelmed by your response. Countless phone calls, donations and mail continue to pour in.

It is amazing how one act of cruelty can result in so much kindness. Be assured that Blue will continue to receive the best of care as well as all of our love.

Whoever committed this heinous act did not succeed in taking his spirit. He is full of life and love. Blue sends all of you hugs and sloppy kisses.

Kathy Jo Farren  
Bethel

### HELP OUT YOUR MAIL CARRIER

To the Editor:

Crisp days, cooler nights, who doesn't love fall? But taking a fall - that's a different issue.

Leaves in an array of colors add a blanket of pre-winter beauty to the New England landscape. But what lies beneath those leaves can be treacherous. Holes, hoses, branches and toys can be camouflaged trip hazards around your home, and wet leaves can be as slippery as ice. That puts any visitor to your residence, including letter carriers, at risk.

You can help protect visitors to your home by removing debris and leaves and promptly repairing broken stairs or walkways. Please keep your entryway free of items that can become hidden hazards and make sure your downspouts are clear and direct water away from walkways.

To safely deliver, carriers need a clear path to your mailbox. Overhanging branches or leaf piles at boxes should be removed. Boxes that are improperly mounted, rusted or won't close securely should be replaced and house numbers on boxes should be visible. This is the time of year to address any mailbox issues before the snow falls.

With Daylight Savings time it will be getting dark earlier. Leaving a light on to illuminate any outdoor hazards will help your carrier to safely deliver your mail.

As we approach the holiday season, thank you for your cooperation keeping your property safe while our letter carriers continue to provide the First Class service you've come to expect.

John Godlewski, District Manager,  
Customer Service and Sales  
U.S. Postal Service

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### BIKEMAINE THANKS

To the Editor:

Three weeks ago we had a wonderful opportunity to welcome 350 bicyclists and 50 volunteers and staff of the Bicycle Coalition of Maine to our beautiful community. We were blessed with the distinction of being the "layover community," meaning the group enjoyed a full day off in Bethel, resulting in robust economic activity for nearly 48 hours during what is typically a pretty laid back September midweek. Wow - it was such a success! We made a positive impression on people who hailed from at least 34 states and 5 countries. Some of them promised to come back! There is no amount of advertising dollars that can pay for this kind of positive public relations.

Despite the fact that the week was already a busy one with our upcoming Harvestfest, the Bethel Area Chamber offered to be the overall coordinator. We are fortunate to have had supportive and engaged volunteers who served on the planning committee in the 9 to 10 months from the first contact with BikeMaine until the event happened. We extend sincere thanks to this committee: Jessie and Gabe Perkins; Bill and Nancy White; Kristen Seib of Barker Mountain Bikes; Deb Costello, Jerry Bernier, and Peter Southam at Gould Academy; and Meryl Kelly of the Local Food Connection.

Bill and Nancy were coordinated the information area, which was critical to getting the cyclists acquainted with Bethel and the many activities we had planned for them. The info booth volunteers were Jan Stowell, Jessie Perkins, Sarah Weaver, Ellie Andrews, Jan Newhouse and Brett Shiffrin.

Deb Costello and Jerry Bernier worked with BikeMaine on the layout and implementation of the Bike Village at Gould Academy. The staff and participants could not have been happier with the panoramic mountain-view in the heart of our lovely village. Deb, with the help of Peter Southam, and other Gould staff members, recruited a set-up and break-down crew, luggage handlers, and overall logistics. This was customer service at its best!

Meryl Kelly from the Local Food Connection was the coordinator for the immense Wednesday evening and Thursday morning meals for 400. BikeMaine requires that the majority of the food needs to be locally sourced, so Meryl worked with GOT Farms (Greenhouses of Telstar) and local farmers to grow as much of the produce for the meals as possible. Meryl's right-hand woman was Maisey Griffin, and the following individuals also gave their time to orchestrate these two large meals: Karla Horecky, Jean Bass, Michelle, Levi and Isaac Shuffy, Brian Lenberg, Tara Pocock, Carl Costanzi, Brendan Schaffler, Hope Doyle, Victoria and Courtney Skillin, Bode and Evan Leach, Stephanie, Travis Kneeland, Mr. Vermette and the THS football team, Dara Turgeon, Jessie and Gabe Perkins, Ann Speth, David Walker, Nancy Babcock, Steve Wight, Robin and Matt Zinchuk, Scott Hynek, Suzanne Dunham, Alyson Harris, Steve Abbott, Tyra Howes, Beth Weisberger, and others who jumped in to help as needed.

Thanks are also extended to The Bethel Inn Resort for hosting the food tent area, to our speakers at the Wednesday MPBN panel discussion, Amanda Moran, Dennis Doyon, Gabe Perkins; and to the entire community for opening your arms and rolling out the welcome carpet for this event! Bravo, job well done!

Robin Zinchuk, Executive Director  
Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

## From the State House

BY STATE REP. FRAN HEAD

Oct. 15 marks the passing of 90 days from adjournment, which means that new laws go into effect. One bill which I sponsored, LD 1438: An Act To Include Bows and Crossbows as Dangerous Weapons for Purposes of Protection from Abuse Orders, represents one accomplishment which I am very proud of. The other domestic violence bill which I successfully sponsored was LD 150, which directs state agencies to review batterer intervention programs for pre-trial and post-conviction use.

These two bills are the perfect example of how it is truly rewarding to see the ideas and recommendations of my constituents become law. I believe that the 127th legislature has started to chip away at the issue of domestic violence, and I am hopeful that we can do even more in the coming session.

Now that we are getting into the fall, I wanted to make sure that people were aware of the Hunters for the Hungry program offered by the Department of Inland Fisheries and the Department of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. This program allows for hunters to donate to a family in need who use food pantries, soup kitchens, or homeless shelters. Those wishing for more information on this program may call toll free 1-888-4DEER-ME (1-888-433-3763).

Lastly, I wanted to make sure that the readers of the Bethel Citizen knew that I am always willing to sponsor Legislative Sentiments for my constituents. Legislative Sentiments are a public declaration in honor of a personal achievement signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Help me come up with ideas for sentiments by looking through the below categories;

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- Chamber of Commerce awards
- Civic appreciations, congratulations and acknowledgments
- First and second place pageants and athletic awards.

In addition to these, Legislative Memorial Resolutions can be requested to express sympathy regarding the death of a prominent local or state figure. I would be honored to submit a Legislative Sentiment at your request. You can contact me with the information at FranMillsHead@gmail.com, or call my legislative office at (207) 287-1440.

### Ghost

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Wayne Howe and Will Chapman portray 19th century showman Ezra Stephens and former Maine Governor Sidney Perham at a "Ghost Walk" in the Lakeside Cemetery in Bryant Pond.

E. Bonney

only small quantities, and remarked that the liquor tasted "off," but the Globe reported, "Mr. Stephens drank more than the others and made a remark to the effect that the liquor was all right. He lived only a few hours. Walter Bisbee, a cattle buyer, died from the same cause the next morning, and three other men were critically ill."

Dressed in a top hat and tails, Will Chapman portrayed Sidney Perham, a Woodstock native who served in the U.S. House of Representatives and as Maine's 33rd governor.

As a young man, Perham purchased the family homestead from his father, and for the next two decades he carried on a large farming business, keeping between 250 and 500 sheep.

He became a selectman for

the town of Woodstock at the age of 22, later serving as a member of the Maine Board of Agriculture before being elected to the Maine House of Representatives in 1854 and the U.S. House of Representatives in 1862.

He was elected governor of Maine in 1870, succeeding Civil War hero Joshua Chamberlain, and served for three one-year terms.

As governor, Perham's most passionate cause was the temperance movement, in which he believed wholeheartedly. He helped to organize Woodstock's first temperance society, cheered the passage of Maine's law prohibiting alcohol in 1951, and lamented its repeal just five years later.

A staunch Universalist throughout his life, he was a founding member of the Woodstock Universalist

Church in 1843 and served many times as president of both the state and national Universalist conventions.

Perham lived in Washington, D.C. for the last 20 years of his life, maintaining a summer home on Paris Hill. After his death in 1907, his body was returned to his hometown and interred in Lakeside Cemetery, where his wife, the former Almena Jane Hathaway, is also buried.

According to its website, "The Maine Old Cemetery Association was founded in 1968 for the main purposes of locating old cemeteries in the state of Maine, encouraging the care and preservation of those cemeteries, and the gathering and preservation of historical information regarding these cemeteries."

## Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN  
NICKERSON

10 years ago: The Ma-hoosuc Land Trust had recently moved their office to the U.S. Forest Service building on Mayville Road.

Heavy rains dumped over five inches of rain on the area during the weekend.

Deaths: Eoline F. Bean, Ernest E. Brown, Sr., Erlon F. McAllister, Richard F. "Buster" Williamson.

20 years ago: The Newry town office in the Raymond C. Foster Building was broken into. Damage was estimated at \$700 to \$800, and about \$200 was taken.

Nearly 1,000 parents, students, and friends turned out for an Open House at Crescent Park School.

Deaths: Margaret M. McAllister, Dorothy A. Kilgore.

30 years ago: Telstar teacher Tim Kersey was named one of 52 science teachers nationwide to receive the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching for 1985.

The Bethel Citizen's antique Miehle newspaper press was removed from the office in the Cole Block and shipped to a print shop in Massachusetts.

Birth: Kip Andrew Reynolds.

Deaths: Harold S. Wilbur, Sr., James A. Goodwin, Randall A. Deanis, Mrs. Leslie E. Deanis, Bronson Lindeman, Brock Lindeman, Elmer M. York, Mrs. Nancy E. Garthe.

40 years ago: Bethel's Boston Post Cane was presented to 93-year-old Mina Stevens at her home on Vernon Street.

The Bethel Fire Department presented Ralph Hall with a plaque honoring him for distinguished service with the Fire Department.

Birth: Heather Lynn Gordon.

Death: Daniel P. DeRoche. 50 years ago: Gordon E. Mason Agency was seeking permission from Bethel's Zoning Board of Appeals to establish an insurance office in the Church Street building owned by Albert Cotton.

At a meeting of the SAD 44 directors possible locations for the new school were discussed. They included land of the Harold Bennett estate in Mayville, the Luxton property on Route 26, and the Dock-Brooks property off Route 26.

Birth: Matthew Henry Hamel.

60 years ago: The new bridge at Rumford Point was dedicated. John Howe of North Rumford, oldest citizen of the town, cut the ribbon opening the new bridge.

Dr. and Mrs. S.S. Greenleaf attended the annual convention of the National Funeral Directors Association at Boston.

Births: Ellen Jean Pray, Wendy Mae Cross, Mark Stuart Hanley.

Death: Alpo O. Kuvaja.

70 years ago: The American Legion and Auxiliary moved from rooms over the fire station to the Allen Store property.

By-laws were adopted for the Bethel Airport Corporation. It was reported there were 169 subscribers to the capital stock of \$10,000.

80 years ago: The Garden Club of Bethel was organized. Mrs. William R. Chapman was elected president.

Fred Hall sold his barber shop to Jesse Doyon of Farmington.

Large crowds were attending dances at Albany Town House.

Death: Mrs. Nellie Bicknell.

90 years ago: Lloyd Luxton purchased the Harry Brown place on High Street. Marx, Inc. succeeded Israelson's at Rumford.

Deaths: Eric Erickson, L.A. Flint.

110 years ago: Miss A.M. Robertson sold her home on Main Street to Mr. Hannibal Grover.

D.S. Hastings, Bethel, and J. Gardner Roberts, Haver, purchased the Cyrus Bartlett farm.

Death: Cornelia M. Dow.

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**ART OPENING AT "THE GEM"**—About 100 people attended Saturday's opening of "Phase 2: A Proposal for an Appalachian Glacier," a collaborative art installation by Wade Kavanaugh and Stephen B. Nguyen at the former Casablanca Cinema on Cross Street. Kavanaugh and his wife, Bethany Weisberger, have signed a short-term lease on the building. In the next few months, they hope to purchase it and reopen it as The Gem Theater, offering both Hollywood movies and independent films, as well as providing space for community groups to gather and hold screenings. Saturday's opening included a time-lapse film showing how Kavanaugh and Nguyen create their work, a slide show and talk by the artists, and a question-and-answer period. Later that evening, "Meru," the first feature film to be screened in the theater in three years, was shown to an audience of about 60. The film documents the attempt by three American climbers to scale the forbidding Meru Peak in the Himalayas. There will be three additional screenings of "Meru" this weekend: Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 and a Sunday matinee at 4 p.m. The theater doors will be open for several hours before the movie, at 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at noon on Sunday, for those wishing to see the art exhibition and tour the theater. Kavanaugh and Nguyen's collaborative installation, a glacier constructed of gray kraft paper, filled one theater. Here, Reece Pierce peeks out from a "snow fort" beneath the paper glacier. *A. Wight Chapman*

## Sewer

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Harry Faulkner (holding paper) makes a point at Monday's public hearing on new wording for a "dwelling unit" definition. *A. Aloisio*

Resident Bud Kulik suggested that fixed costs (for such things as debt on infrastructure improvements) for the treatment plant be shared among all Bethel taxpayers, not just the 650 ratepayers.

Bonds approved for the department, he said, are general obligation bonds for the Town of Bethel, and should be divided among taxpayers, as road costs are. "At Town Meeting you probably voted for those bonds that the 650 people who are hooked up to the sewer have to pay for," he said.

The operational costs, he said, could be billed according to actual usage.

The definition of a dwelling unit would then not matter, said Kulik.

Harry Faulkner, who said he also is not on the sewer system, agreed that all taxpayers should share in the costs. "If you can charge everyone for the school, why not charge for the sewer?" he asked.

But, he said, if the town made such a proposal, "everybody who is not on town sewer and water, they're going to be furious. You're going to have Hell on your hands ... You know if you put that question before the town, the 650 are going to get crushed."

Nancy Murphy, also not a ratepayer, noted that not everyone drives but must still pay taxes on the roads. "There are things we collectively pay for," she said.

Others noted that taxpayers who are not on the sewer system may still use it when they come into town, or have children who use it at school. Bennett said the town had consulted the Maine Municipal Association to ask if it

is legal to charge all taxpayers for the fixed costs, and learned it was. However, he said, MMA also commented, "Good luck."

But resident Donald G. Bennett cited precedent for such a move in a 1990 Bethel town report, which described a 1989 town vote to take on an additional \$380,000 loan for sewer upgrades. "At the Oct. 10, 1989 special Town meeting, the voters authorized the borrowing of the additional \$380,000 with the stipulation that the loan be repaid from property taxes and not from sewer user fees. The voters felt that the financial burden for upgrading the sewerage plant should be borne by the entire town and not just the 422 users," then-Town Manager Rodney Lynch wrote.

Resident Scott Hynek favored billing for operating costs (chemicals, sludge disposal, for example) according to usage and fixed costs according to the number of toilets on the system. He argued that the town voters as a whole only approve sewer bonds because that is the process through which the debt must be incurred.

At the upcoming Town Meeting Monday, voters may only vote "yes" or "no"

on the definition, town officials said.

On another sewer-related agenda item, selectmen approved a preliminary scope of work description for a \$600,000 treatment plant improvement project. A little over \$100,000 is from loans, Town Manager Christine Landes said.

### TOWN TRUCKS OK'D FOR BASKETBALL COURT WORK

In other business Monday, selectmen approved allowing the use of town trucks by volunteer drivers to haul gravel for the planned basketball court behind Dunkin' Donuts. Landes said the contractor who had originally agreed to haul it has other jobs to finish this late in the season.

The board also accepted the resignation of Gabe Perkins from the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Perkins was also the chairman of the committee.

Selectmen also approved a fee of \$3 for each propane tank disposed of at the Tri-Town Transfer Station.

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also told the committee that the FY'14 audit review was very positive. She said the auditor's review of the current year's budget is scheduled to begin later this fall.

Sheryl Morgan of Woodstock reported that the Policy Committee had begun to review the district's homework policy, with the intention of clarifying the reasons for homework and the ways in which it can be used as an extension of in-school learning.

Shesaidthecommitteehad alsodiscussedtransparency, with much of their discussion focused on the need for the district to develop a more user-friendly website.

"It was felt that this would help community members become better informed about the work of the district," Morgan said.

Reporting for the board's Newry Withdrawal Committee, Marcel Polak of Woodstock said the committee would meet the following day. He told the board that mediation sessions between the School Board's committee and the town of Newry's Withdrawal Committee have been scheduled for Nov. 17 and Nov. 24 from 1-5 p.m. and that additional mediation sessions would be scheduled as necessary.

**FRESHMAN ACADEMY** There will be an open house for anyone wishing to tour the Telstar Freshman Academy campus at the Bryant Pond 4-H Learning Center today (Thursday) from 4-7:30 p.m.

Ryder Scott, director of the University of Maine's 4-H Camp and Learning Centers, spoke of changes at the Bryant Pond center since the former Maine Conservation School was merged with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

"If you're not familiar with 4-H in the 20th century, some people like to say that it's not just cows and cooking anymore," Scott told the board. "4-H is really a leader in science, technology, engineering, and math, or STEM, education."

Increasingly, he said, 4-H is partnering with schools to complement their existing STEM curriculum, providing students with opportunities for hands-on, experiential lessons that reinforce their classroom learning.

The teachers and 4-H Learning Center staff who work with the district's ninth graders in the Telstar Freshman Academy program reported to the board on the first six weeks of the school year.

SAD 44 teachers Doug Bennett and Kelly Dole and 4-H educators Norm Greenberg and Tara Pocock work as a team to create lessons that engage all learners and build academic and interpersonal skills.

"One of the things we focus on at the Telstar Freshman Academy is the culture that we create," said Bennett, describing how students had identified the importance of teamwork, respect, and acceptance to their learning experience.

"It's not a 'sage on the stage' model," Bennett said of teaching in the program. "It's teachers as partners in learning."

The educators reviewed the first two educational units of the school year, Habits of Mind and Food Systems.

The Habits of Mind unit identifies 16 problem-solving skills that translate to real life situations throughout a person's lifetime, including persistence, gathering data through all senses, applying past knowledge to new situations, and thinking and communicating with clarity and precision.

Lessons in the Food Systems unit range from the history of agriculture to the science of food preparation and preservation.

A two-day field trip to the Blueberry Cove 4-H Center and the Herring Gut Learning Center in Port Clyde allowed students to learn about ocean food resources and the impacts of environmental change on food systems.

"They're engaging in a unit of study that is real and relevant to their lives. Everybody eats," Pocock said. Bethel director Frank DelDuca, who recently visited the 4-H Learning Center as a member of the board's Education Committee, said he had been skeptical of the program when it was introduced last year.

However, after seeing the level of engagement of the students and the quality of their interaction with the teachers, he said, "I was very impressed, to say the least." "From an outsider looking in, it really does seem like it's working really well," DelDuca said.

### WES AWARD

Prior to Tuesday's meeting a reception was held at Woodstock Elementary School to celebrate its designation as a School of Excel-

lence by the National PTA. WES Principal Jolene Littlehale credited the school's PTA members, in particular Tracey Walker, who is the food service manager and the parent of two former WES students, with "getting the ball rolling" for participation in the program.

Based on surveys that were completed by parents, the National PTA sent recommendations to the school.

"We were very high in parent involvement already, which is what most people focus on," Littlehale said, "so we chose to focus on increasing our kids' access to arts education."

The school has since put in place numerous initiatives, sponsored by the PTA, to broaden students' exposure to all aspects of the arts, including visual arts, theater, music, graphic arts, and even cake-decorating.

A "Careers in the Arts" day last spring brought local artists as well as former WES students back to the school to talk about their pursuit of arts education in college and in their careers.

"The support of the PTA here is amazing," Littlehale said. "I'm the most spoiled rotten principal in the state of Maine, because I get to work with them."

## Brown Bag Lunch: From a village in the Congo

On Tuesday, Oct. 27 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Auditorium, Linda Orsi Robinson will speak about her experience as a nurse-midwife in the remote village of Shamwana in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where she served with the humanitarian organization Doctors Without Borders.

The event is part of the Down Home Maine series, sponsored by the Western Mountains Senior College, and is free and open to the public.

The following day, Wednesday, Oct. 28, Robinson will lead a Brown Bag Lunch discussion, "A Global Perspective," at 12:15 in the library at the Bethel Inn. Participants are invited to bring their lunch and join a discussion about improving our sensitivity toward cultures vastly different from our own.

The Brown Bag Lunch discussion is also sponsored by the Western Mountains Senior College, and is also free and open to the public.

While in Shamwana, Robinson set aside Sunday mornings as a time to write home to assure her family and friends she was safe, and to process the raw emotions and thoughts from what she was experiencing.

The letters she wrote from the war-torn community became her lifeline and, ultimately, a book, Shamwana: A Midwife's Letters from the Field, which she says she

hopes will "help raise awareness of how our actions impact the global stage."

As she worked to care for women and their families, she came to know their extraordinary suffering and their equally extraordinary strength.

Struggling to improve the lives and health of the people of Shamwana, Robinson found herself in a community traumatized by a decade of war and famine. The bleak landscape, once teeming with animals and vegetation, had been stripped bare by people desperate to survive.

"I had to tell their story ... my hope is to share a better understanding of the Congo, and the effects on its people after decades of war," Robinson said in a recent interview.

Robinson practices nurse-midwifery in Bar Harbor. Her international work has taken her to Malawi Africa as a Peace Corps volunteer; to American Samoa, where she started the first midwifery practice; and to the Democratic Republic of Congo with Doctors Without Borders.

For more information on the Down Home Maine program, contact Amy Chapman at 875-5511 or by e-mail at amy.w.chapman@gmail.com.

To RSVP for the Brown Bag Lunch discussion, contact Nancy Davis at 207-381-1110 or nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com.

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## Briefly

### Lost hikers found in Grafton

GRAFTON-A fourteen-hour search has ended well for two hikers from Massachusetts, according to a press release from the Maine Warden Service. Mary Burnham, 28, from Jamaica Plain and Seamus Langan, 31, from Quincy became separated from their hiking party of six Sunday, Oct. 11. The party began at the Upper Success Pond Road trailhead at about noon Sunday. The group was hiking the Spec Pond Trail and was headed east toward Old Spec Mountain. Two members of the party decided to return to their vehicle and drove around to the pre-planned end point at the Grafton Notch trailhead on Route 26. The remaining four hikers continued toward Old Spec Mountain. When the two hikers arrived at the Route 26 trailhead to pick up the rest of their party at about 8 p.m., only two of the four hikers were there. It was later learned that when at the summit of Old Spec Mountain, Burnham and Langan inadvertently became separated and took the Mahoosuc Notch Loop Trail south and became lost. Searchers deployed in the area at approximately 4 a.m. Monday morning. With the aid of a Warden Service aircraft, radio contact was made with both Burnham and Langan at 11 a.m. Monday. By 1 p.m., game wardens, searchers with Mahoosuc Search & Rescue, as well as volunteer hikers who were hiking the Appalachian Trail made contact with Burnham and Langan. The two hikers were carrying a handheld radio that made communication possible and aided greatly in locating the hikers. Both were in good condition after having spent an unexpected night in the woods.

### Greenwood selectmen's meeting minutes

(Note: The Citizen will print, on a space-available basis, minutes of recent meetings of the Greenwood Board of Selectmen. The minutes for each meeting must be approved at the following meeting before public release.)

Sept. 15, 2015

1. Open Meeting - Chair Henderson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with Selectman Arnold Jordan, Selectman Amy Chapman, Town Manager Kimberly Sparks, and Deputy Clerk Angela Lovejoy attendance.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Warrants - It was motioned and seconded to accept Warrant #11 (\$21,427.98), and Warrant #12 (\$38,890.44). Motion passed 3-0.
4. Minutes - It was motioned and seconded to accept the minutes of September 1, 2015 as written. Motion passed 3-0.
5. Comments from the Public - No one from the public had any comments. Selectman Amy Chapman said someone suggested to her that the Board look into community solar power. She said there were seven such projects in the works right now and the Town of Paris had just gone online with theirs. The Board did not think it would hurt to look into it. Chapman said she would see what she could find out.
6. Sand Bids - Chair Henderson opened the following winter sand bids: Bid #1 from Poland Corporation, 2000 yards screened sand for \$7.50 per yard; Bid #2 from RA Tib-

betts, 2000 yards screened sand for \$7.45 per yard; and Bid #3 from Hadley's, 2000 yards screened sand for \$8.20 per yard. There was discussion on the price range. Road Foreman Alan Seames attended. He said Tibbetts had bid a lot of times in past years and he didn't mind giving him the bid. The Board agreed. Selectman Chapman motioned and Selectman Jordan seconded to award the 2015/2016 winter sand bid to RA Tibbetts for \$7.45 per yard. Motion passed 3-0.

7. Recreational Access for Alvin Yates - Town Manager Sparks mentioned that Alvin Yates had put in his yearly application to trap on the Town's property on Route 219. Selectman Jordan said he had not heard any complaints about it and thought it would be fine. The Board agreed. Chair Henderson signed the Recreational Access Landowner Courtesy Card for Alvin Yates to trap on the Town's property on Route 219.

8. Paving at Transfer Station - Town Manager Sparks mentioned it would be \$6,500 to put two inches of compacted pavement on 3,500 square feet at the transfer station. She said the Woodstock Selectboard agreed with the price. Road Foreman Seames said the amount was reasonable but the Board should get a second quote for comparison. The Board agreed. Sparks said she would talk to Woodstock Town Manager Vern Maxfield about it.

9. Western Maine Transpor-

tation Funding - Town Manager Sparks mentioned that Western Maine Transportation Service was looking for a letter of support regarding billing the County instead of asking for individual support from area towns within it. The Board agreed to write a letter of support.

10. Executive Session - It was motioned and seconded to go into Executive Session at 5:19 p.m. per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F) to discuss confidential records. Motion passed 3-0. It was motioned and seconded to come out of Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. Motion passed 3-0. A motion and second was made to issue a hardship abatement in the amount of \$397.15. Motion passed 3-0.

11. Meetings and Events - Town Manager Sparks mentioned the following meetings and events: Sept. 15&16, 2015 election training for Kim in Waterville; Sept. 15, 2015 Selectboard meeting at 5 p.m. at the Town Office; September 18, 2015 4H Camp dedication from 3:30pm to 5:30 p.m.; Sept. 19, 2015 Hazardous Waste Collection Day at 9 a.m. in Bethel; Sept. 22, 2015 Bicentennial meeting at 6 p.m. at the Town Office; Sept. 23, 2015 Oxford County Municipal Officer's meeting at 600 p.m. in Hartford; Sept. 24, 2015 Rail Rally at 5 p.m. in Auburn; and Sept. 25, 2015 Fish Fry at 3 p.m. at the Locke's Mills Fire Station.

12. Adjourn - It was motioned and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 p.m. Motion passed 3-0.

The Bethel Animal Hospital announced Monday that it is accepting applications to adopt Blue, the 6-month-old puppy found in Newry two weeks ago with his muzzle severely damaged from being bound.

Blue, a 6-month-old pit bull mix, is being cared for at the Bethel Animal Hospital since being found in Newry on Oct. 2. The hospital is taking applications from people interested in adopting the puppy.

Veterinary technician Kathy Jo Farren said Blue had surgery on his muzzle Oct. 5 to remove the dead tissue from the wound. For the past week, the pit bull mix has been a "happy and healthy dog," and is showing "a lot of improvement," she said.

"I don't think there's going to be any long-term issues with him, or his muzzle," Farren said. "There's a chance that the hair on one side of his muzzle won't grow back, but other than that, it looks like he's going to make a full recovery."

On Monday morning, the Bethel Animal Hospital posted on its Facebook page that several dozen people had offered to adopt Blue. The hospital wrote it would allow people to begin applying to adopt Blue, but were putting guidelines in place before selecting a new owner.

Farren said that they were sorting through applications that "meet the criteria until we find the perfect match."

"We want to make sure that something like this never happens to Blue again, so we're going to have a multi-step application process," she added.

The hospital wrote on its Facebook page that appli-

cations must be requested by message on its Facebook page, or in person. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, Oct. 21, by the end of the day.

The hospital also wrote that prospective homes should be "close enough to the Bethel Animal Hospital so that continued follow-up care can be maintained," and that homes should not include children under the age of 10.

"Preference will be given to applicants with a fenced-in yard on a property owned by the applicant," the hospital wrote. "Blue will need a person or family with a very active lifestyle."

Farren said those who meet the qualifications will be interviewed at the hospital and will receive a home visit to make sure that "Blue gets along with any animals that are already located there, and that it will be a good fit for him."

"There are a lot of steps, but it's important to make sure

that Blue gets the best possible care," Farren said.

Although the Bethel Animal Hospital has dealt with finding homes for injured animals in the past, Farren said it has "never seen anything to this extent."

"Several years ago, I was involved in rescuing 48 cats from a home," she said. "This was before social media was the big thing. Back then, I was interviewed by a news station, and we were able to get all 48 cats adopted. With Blue, and with social media as big as it is now, we had people calling in and donating money within an hour of Blue's status being posted online. It really is incredible. There was one cruel person out there that did this, and countless kind people."

Police are continuing to look for Blue's owner to determine how the dog ended up being abandoned in Newry. Anyone with information is asked to call 357-6796.

## Town News

### Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett



**Not So Fast - Ethel Bisbee**

I am hearing that not everyone wants to save the building - would like to look at other uses for the 90 year old property. Many years ago my required reading was a book titled Europe's Futures, Europe Choices this could be applied to Bethel voters today, call it Ethel's Futures, Ethel's Choices. The site of the old school building is very favorable within the village. Let's hope that the Town Manager and Selectmen will consider all the choices carefully.

**Family Dollar Store Opens**

Kathy and I went shopping there on opening day and were both quite pleased. Met some seasoned local shoppers who should be good as reliable local references. As for me I got Hanes men's underwear. There is a really large assortment family merchandise food, clothing, frozen food items and as the saying goes much, much more. You should go see for yourself, we thought prices were very good. After I had put some photos and our reaction to the new store into the Bethel Journals Face-

book page it attracted the attention of 261 others so far.

**Is Mayville booming?**

Right now the Birch Wood development has three new house projects under way. The site further along is of interest to me. Clearing the area for building meant removing a very big and I mean big boulder. Sixty-five or so years ago, the boulder was a sort of landmark, past which our cow path from our barn's back pasture up to the area where the Sport Thoma building is located. Also breakfasts at the Brew Pub seem to be attracting good numbers. This last weekend was a good example. Ron told me that when the BikeMaine group of 350 was here, they ran a shuttle breakfast service using their Humvee.

**Sunday River's Fall Festival and Craft Show**

More besides just the Wife Carry Race. Thousands of people were there Saturday morning. Of course a large part of the crowd was watching the wife carrying event. There were many places to get meals and/or snacks. Mountain bikers were also part of the crowd. But I only saw two familiar faces - Melody Bonnema and Jean Bass; they were looking over the craft and jewelry displays.

**The So-Called Snowman Lot**

Some may have noticed the back-hoe and digging which

has occurred twice in the last few weeks. When Polly Davis wrote her 1993 paper on the history of Bridge Street, Cross Street and Riverside Lane, she noted that the area of Lincoln Street was known as the "Jungle." Some of the land being staked out and soil explored lay in the Jungle. Also that lot has been used off and on as a place to dump fill. That is why in some areas the field has risen from its original level at the time of the Bethel Station project and the town garage moved. So the nature and outcome of this activity may be unknown for some time.

**Upcoming Hearing and Special Town Meeting on Sewer and Water Use Ordinance**

Changes a.k.a. Billing Sewer billing formulas changed after the town's wastewater treatment plant was first constructed in the 1970s and again in the 1980s when the Department of Environmental Protection ordered that no more connections to the sewer system would be allowed until there was improved treatment of wastewater. This order focused on storm water overflows and inadequately treated sewage water going into the Androscoggin. The 1986 flood overwhelmed the system. The recently completed Bethel Inn Fairway Condos required sewer connections

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## The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD

*From the TWISI archives:*  
In most American homes today there's a fair number of gadgets and appliances and that is true in my home as well.

I would certainly be lost without some of them, that's for sure. I can't imagine life without my washer and dryer. The thought of weekly trips to a laundromat makes me cringe. I did it for a number of years in my younger days so I know firsthand how time consuming and inconvenient it is. No way would I ever want to go back to that!

And my electric mixer is a wonderful little marvel that I wouldn't want to be without. When I was a child all we had was an eggbeater and everyone in the family took turns when it came to making whipped cream. The result was usually a runny cream concoction rather than a stiff consistency.

I remember my mother's elation when she received her first electric mixer as a gift. We had desserts with a stiff glob of whipped cream every day for a week.

I like my electric can opener. It certainly is a nice thing to have; however, if it ceased to work I do have a variety of hand can openers and I know I would get by just fine until I replaced the electric one.

My microwave is truly a nice appliance though I use it primarily for heating leftovers and popping popcorn. Still, I wouldn't care to be without it.

I have a lot of other items that I may not use very often, but it's nice to have them on hand when I need

them.

As nice as all of these things are I do not have a strong emotional attachment to any of them. I have a strong need for them, but I'm not in love with them. I don't have a personal relationship with any of them.

According to a recent study, that is not the case with people who own a Roomba. Roomba is the robotic vacuum made by iRobot Corp. It is a robotic disc that scoots around the floor sucking up dirt and dust. It knows not to bump into

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walls and furniture and can go under sofas, chairs and beds. A handy gadget to be sure.

Well, according to this study, which was recently in the newspaper, the owners of this handy gadget actually bond with it. In many cases they give it a name and in a few instances the owners have been known to dress the robotic piece of machinery. I'm not kidding, it was right in the paper.

Maybe I'm missing something here because I don't have that kind of relationship with my appliances. I never once thought of coming up with a nickname for my coffee pot even though it is the first thing I interact

with in the morning. I do on occasion call my computer some choice names, but one would never consider those particular names terms of endearment.

There are currently over 2 million Roomba owners and there is even an Internet forum where Roomba owners can chat about their little pets.

One of the people conducting the study, who is an "emotional design" expert, discovered through monitoring the Roomba forum that not only do people name their little vacuums, in some cases they ravel with it and even one owner who introduced the machine to his parents.

I guess I shouldn't talk; when my kids were teenagers I tried introducing them to the washer and dryer, but sadly, they were never that well met.

The part of the article that really struck me was not the naming, not the traveling or even the little Roomba clothing. It was the mention of some Roomba owners pre-cleaning their houses before they put the bugger down on the floor. What is the point of that???

I have to admit that I don't own a Roomba so I really don't know what the excitement is all about. Maybe if I had one I'd feel differently.

I do know that I would not clean my floor so my vacuum didn't have to work too hard. I know I wouldn't dress any of my appliances, but what the heck, the way I see it, to each their own. I'll just go on about my business and load up my dishwasher. His name, by the way, is Mr. Clean.

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## Age-Friendly Community

The Age-Friendly Community Project will be using this column to update the public about our ongoing progress and to ask for your support. What's the Age-Friendly Community Project? Since early summer a small group of local citizens has been meeting to begin exploring ways to make Bethel more supportive of healthy aging. With the support of the Town of Bethel and under the auspices of AARP, we are exploring what Bethel has and does not have in the areas of safe recreational facilities, affordable public transportation, age-friendly housing options, chances to socialize, multigenerational programs, volunteer activities, access to technological resources, home-based care services, and good, healthy food.

This week the group is hosting two public meetings to engage the community in discussion around these factors, and we will be reporting on those meetings in the near future. We will also be distributing a survey to local community members over 50. Please watch for opportunities to help us in this important venture. FMI: Jacquelyn Cressy (rivendell@megalink.net, 824-0508).

they pushed the overall deal. As new buildings the individual condos had their own water connection and would have sewer connections. However, for older buildings to be "re-piped" with new metered water supply plumbing for rental units as in the case for instance the Opera House would be impractical so most of these older buildings were "grandfathered." The question to rental unit owners is do these rental/dwelling spaces have toilets and washing facilities i.e. plumbing? Or does the tenant use the owner's bathroom and kitchen facilities?

### Sewer

#### Financial Obligations

The dollar value of the Sewer Department's operating property is reported each year in the Bethel Town Report's Annual Financial Report.

For Fiscal Year 2013\* (July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013) Bethel's Operating Sewer Property showed: Land and easements: \$ 11,589; Buildings and Equipment: \$3,562,644; Transmission Lines, \$ 4,672,575 and Accumulated Depreciation was (\$, 4,435,968) for Total Sewer property amount of \$3,810,840. \* FY2014's report had a printing error making this section unreadable.

#### Sewer Department

#### Revenues and Expenses for FY 2014

Operating Revenues: \$395,418; Operating Expenses: \$545,452; Operating Income (Loss): (\$150,034). Non-operating Revenues (Expenses): \$8,125. Change in Net Position for FY2014: (\$141,908).

Importance of the Town's Annual Reports Since the

present sewer treatment plant began operating in the 1970s, there have been reports about the plant's operation only three times: 1978, 1979 and 1988. Considering all the taxpayer funds spent for the Bethel Station infrastructure, there should have been annual reports describing what was done. Town Managers reported generally what had been done but without details. The other half of that coin is, "Does anyone read the town's Annual Report?"

#### When Annual Printed Town Reports Began

In 1886 the treasurer's oral financial reporting was challenged - as reported in the April 2, 1886 edition of The Oxford County Advertiser, Bethel correspondent J.G. Rich jumped into the fray during the meeting. His issue was the Bethel Treasurer's accounting of resources. According to Rich, the treasurer was fudging the town's ability to pay down its debt from resources on hand. This led to a motion from the floor for a written town report for the next year. "Moved that the Auditor be requested to procure a Blank Book and to enter within the same all accounts and demands presented against the Town." See the Town minutes 1886, page 481: The following motion of advice was passed. "Moved that the town instruct the Selectmen of the Town that at the next annual meeting the Selectmen furnish a full, detailed report of items to the voters of the town including within it all reports of all officers of the town." The first such report was printed for the 1887 town meeting. A.M.



At the annual North American Wife Carrying Championship at Sunday River, a couple (left) kissed before the race. Winners Sam Brakeley and Steph Reighart competed against 30 "couples" from as far away as Florida, South Carolina, and Colorado. Every year, up to 50 couples compete on a course up the slopes of Sunday River for cash prizes and beer. The pair claimed their first North American title with a time of 1:05.30. They took home Reighart's weight in beer, as well as five times her weight in cash for a grand total of \$750.60. Mike Kress and Anna-Lena Schneider of Portland placed second with a time of 1:10.70. Kress and Schneider placed second last year. The course was laid out slightly differently, with a longer and steeper uphill section and an extra hurdle, as well as a sand trap just before the finish line.

D. Bennett

Chase and Co., Book and Job Printers, Bryant Pond, printed early Bethel town reports.

## Bethel

By Nancy Brown

On Sunday I participated in the 16th Annual Waterford Fall Foliage 5K Road Race. The race honors the memory of Tony Waldeier, who taught fifth grade at Waterford Elementary School for 35 years and became a teaching principal. All the funds raised at the race benefit the Tony Waldeier Scholarship Fund. Almost 200 people ran or walked in the road race and the children's fun run. I completed the out and back course (which the organizers call "challenging") in the same time as last year. My goal is always to finish and not be the last one back. This year I was 116 out of 143, which I consider successful.

A few weeks ago I wrote about the naysayers who were skeptical about having colorful fall foliage this year. I thought about them on Sunday as I participated in the aptly named Fall Foliage Road Race. The course wound along the edge of Keoka Lake, which was brilliant with red, gold, and yellow foliage. On the way back to Bethel through Albany, I saw several cars stopped along the road. The occupants were out on the roadway taking pictures of the foliage. Back in Bethel I saw picture-takers on Main Street and at Davis Park. The dictionary (Merriam-Webster online) defines foliage as "a cluster of leaves, flowers, and branches." When we talk about the beauty of our fall foliage, we're usually talking about the trees, but they are complemented by the roadside and meadow grasses and plants, many of which also turn brilliant shades of red and gold. I've noticed that the grasses are particularly colorful in the light of the rising sun.

Four dogs, accompanied by their humans, attended the Blessing of the Animals at the United Methodist Church on Saturday, Oct. 10. The Blessing of the Animals is conducted at churches around the world each year to commemorate the Feast Day for St. Francis of Assisi, which is Oct. 4. St. Francis is the patron saint of animals and this service celebrates his love for all animals. Pastor Carol Stevens conducted the service and blessed each dog: Baby, Bailey, Banjo and Katie. The pastor blessed a

picture of Blue, the young dog found in Newry with lacerations on his muzzle caused from his mouth being taped shut. Blue is now recuperating at Bethel Animal Hospital following surgery to repair his wounds. The pastor also blessed baskets filled with stuffed toy animals, which will be given to organizations for distribution to children during the holiday season.

The Bethel United Methodist Church is hosting a bake sale on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 10 a.m. to noon. This is the church's first bake sale this fall. Food will include breads, cakes, candy, cookies, pies, and baked beans. The church is located at 79 Main Street in Bethel.

Mark your calendar for an upcoming event at the Bethel Library. On Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 6:30 p.m., Bob Remington and Tom Remington will speak about their recently published book, We Jumped. The Remingtons are Bethel natives and were well-known skiers and ski jumpers in the 1960s and 70s. Their book talks about the history of ski jumping in western Maine. Bob and Tom will read from the book, talk about their experiences, and sign copies of the book, which will be available to purchase. We Jumped was edited by another Bethel native, Steve Trinnard. All profits from the sale of the book will go to the Ski Museum of Maine.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com.

## East Bethel

By Wally Ritz

I hope everyone is enjoying this great fall weather we are having. The leaves are turning and it's starting to look beautiful. Let's just not think about what comes afterwards. I hear the Fryeburg Fair was a great success again. It's been a few years now since I was able to go. There is al-

ways next year, right?

I don't mean to be a nag, but I really need your help to keep this column interesting. Your suggestions and advice in regards to having more people participate, again, would be greatly appreciated. You can call me at 597-1008, private message me on Facebook or e-mail heinrichracker@gmail.com.

Now on to the Trivia question. What happened Oct. 10, 1925 in the area?

Happy fall!

## West Bethel

By Karen Paul

My dear, sweet kitty Orrie passed away on Thursday, Oct. 8 after a brave battle against diabetes. He was born on the Harrington Farm in Newry in 2000 and grew up in West Bethel. He went to school on the banks of the Androscoggin River with the others and eagles as his first formal teachers. He moved several times including a stay atop Sparrowhawk Mountain, a couple winters in Berlin, N.H., and he spent weekends at his camp on Umbagog. He will be remembered as an avid hunter catching flying squirrels, moles, voles, and chipmunks. He was a true friend who accepted humans unconditionally. He is survived by his best doggy friend Willow.

I drove to Fairfield Thursday night with my daughter, Sarah. Friday morning we traveled to Portland as Sarah was headed to California for a conference and then to Colorado to visit her sister Eva. After five days Sarah will take a bus to Denver to meet with Seth and his

mom. The three will travel by car to Cheyenne, Wyo. for a short visit.

Saturday we drove through Grafton Notch and Sunday we took a ride up to Mason Township to look at the foliage. The colors must be at peak as the leaves are beginning to fall.

Monday I got the old Kubota tractor started and moved gravel around to help winterize and fill in the low places around my house.

Remember to send me your news at paulkmarie@gmail.com or call me at 836-2266.

## Andover

By Jane C. Rich

The Andover Motor Speedway was a beehive of activity Saturday afternoon for the racing of lawn mowers. Two heats preceded the main race. Winner of Heat 1 was Eric Morton; Heat 2 was taken by Andrew Morton. The main event started out with seven participants, three of which were knocked out by mechanical difficulties, mainly broken belts. A surge by driver Esau Cooper at the last minute of the main race made him victorious and the proud carrier of the checkered flag in the post parade. Andrew Morton was second and Eric Morton third. A good time was had by all.

This coming weekend will see a number of activities in town, so you don't have to drive anywhere for some good food and entertainment. On Saturday the 17th, the Snow Valley Sno Goers will be hosting a public supper at the CEB at 5:30 p.m. Land owners are invited for a free meal while the gen-

## OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Oct. 6

At 7:34 a.m. a report was received of a vehicle speeding and making bad passes on Route 26 in Bethel. The vehicle was located and stopped by Sheriff Wayne Gallant.

At 8:04 a.m. on Walkers Mills Road in Bethel Deputy Dere MacDonald stopped a vehicle for loud/illegal exhaust. The driver admitted that he altered his vehicle after inspection, when he put his exhaust on.

Thursday, Oct. 8

At 4:28 p.m. a report was received of a drug deal on Railroad Street in Bethel. After further investigation, Macy J. Blaisdell of Bethel was arrested for unlawful trafficking in scheduled drugs and a probation violation. Lynze C. Cooper of Gilead was also arrested for operating without a license.

Friday, Oct. 9

At 8:52 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland investigated a crash at the intersection of Parkway and Mayville Road in Bethel. One subject was taken to the hospital.

At 6:27 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to a truck/moose accident on Mayville Road in Bethel. The moose was killed.

Sunday, Oct. 11

At 1:24 p.m. a subject called to ask if he was a felon because he wanted to get a hunting license. Deputy Dere MacDonald checked and no felony record was found.

At 9:18 p.m. a report was received of fireworks at a residence on the Songo Pond Road in Bethel. Deputy Steve Witham responded and spoke with the complainant.

## OCSD Jail Log

Oct. 8, 6:41 p.m.: Macy J. Blaisdell, 35, of Bethel, unlawful trafficking in Schedule D drugs; probation violation; by Deputy Matt McDonnell in Gilead.

Oct. 8, 7:33 p.m.: Lynze Cooper, 28, of Gilead; operating without a license; by Deputy Matt McDonnell in Bethel.

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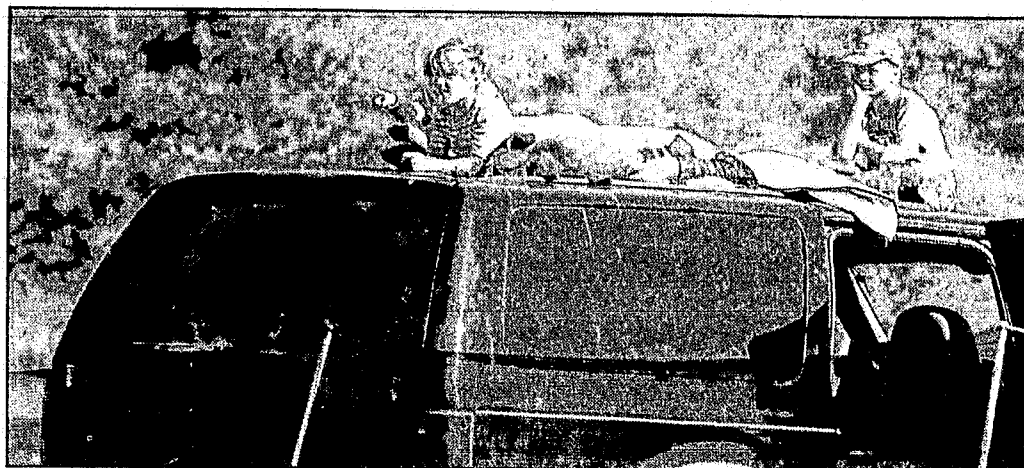
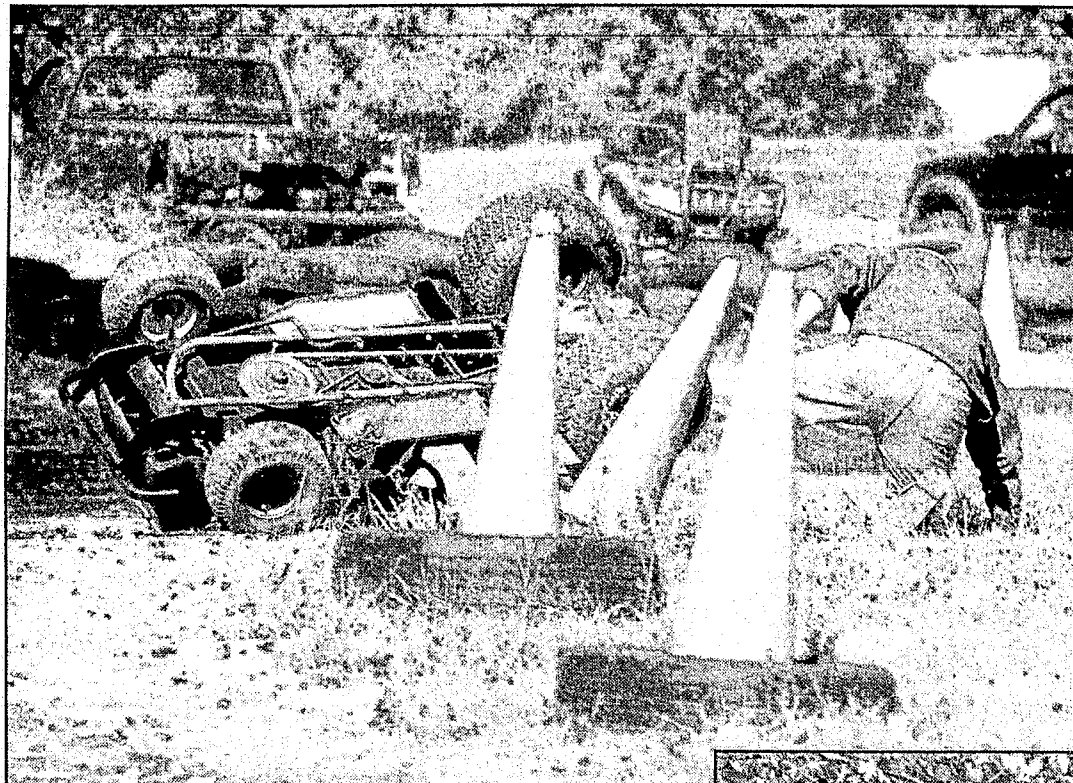
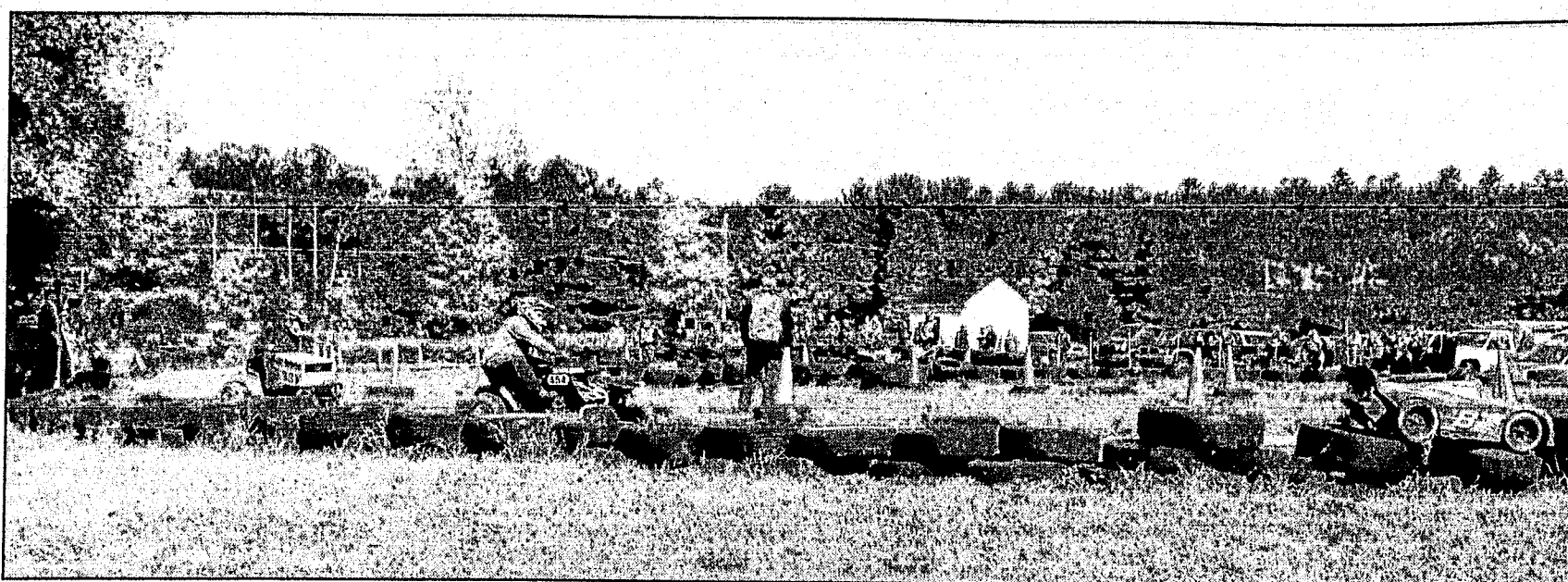
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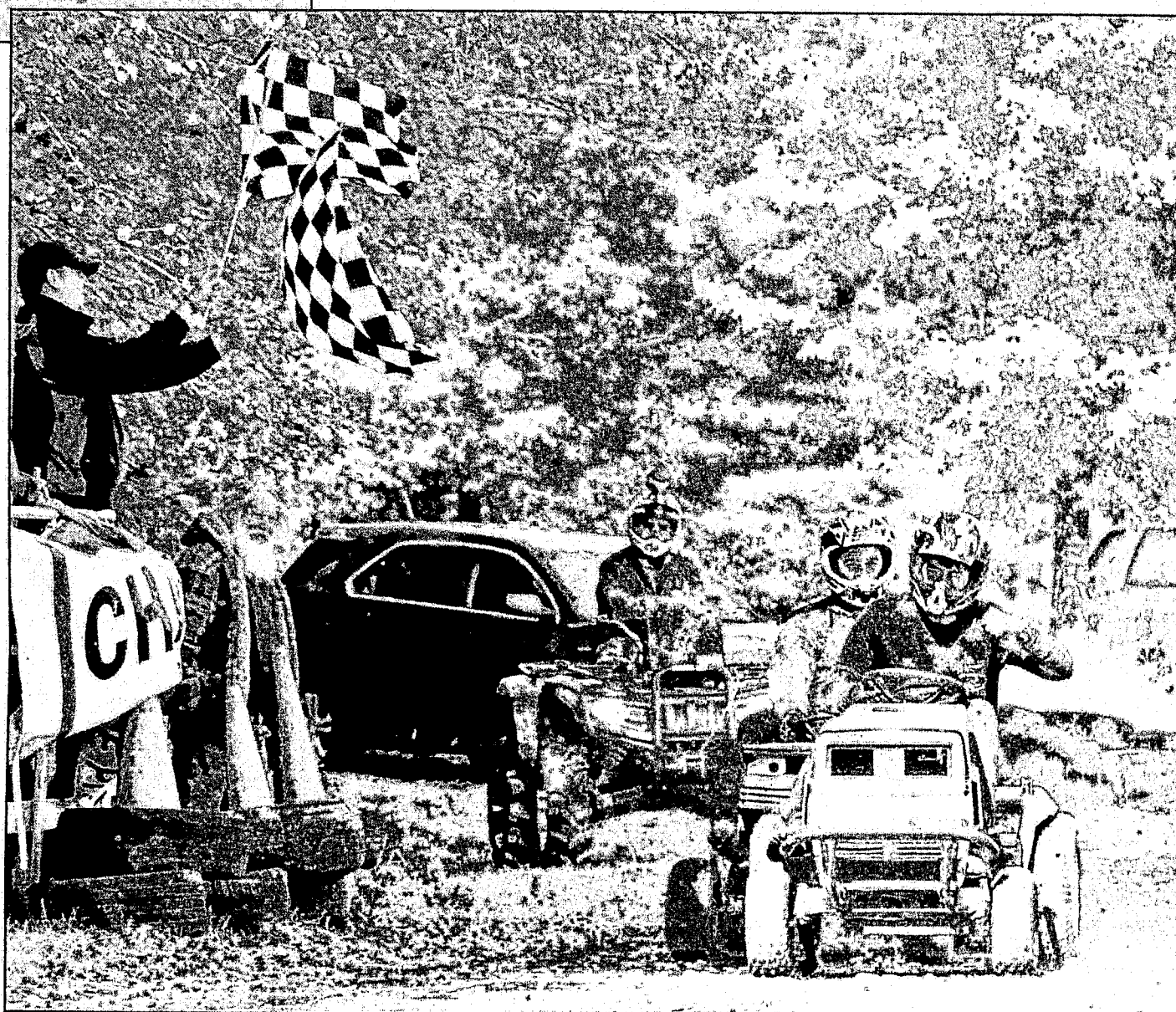
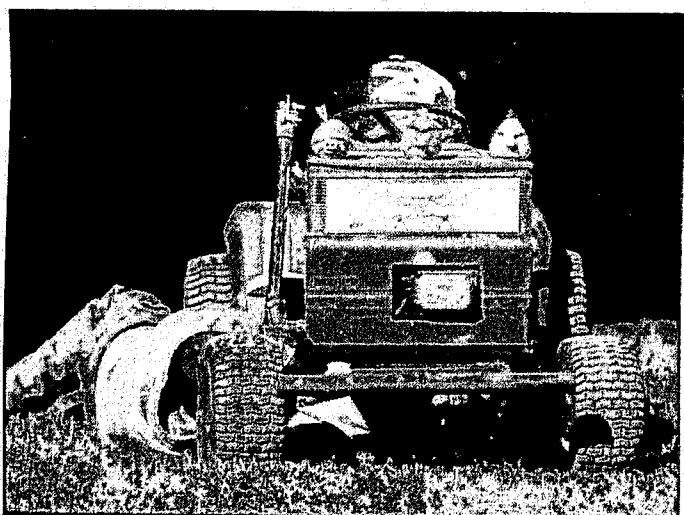


**THE FALL  
CLASSIC  
LAWNMOWER  
RACE  
SAT OCT 10  
NOON**



Lawnmower racers from the Andover area took to the track Saturday for the Fall Classic Lawnmower Race. The competition featured speed, spills (Kevin Merrill), breakdowns (Chris Taylor) and, in the end, a win by racer Esau Cooper (below). A cute puppy on the sidelines also drew her own share of attention from young spectators.

(Photos: A. Alaisio)



eral public will be charged \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and children 3 and under will eat free. The menu will be ham, mashed potatoes, green beans and homemade desserts.

The Andover Historical Society will have both of its buildings at Elm Street and the East Andover Road open for tours. The society has combined efforts with the Andover School PTA for the pumpkin challenge. If you make a great pumpkin dish consider entering it in the contest for nothing more than having bragging rights as the best pumpkin cook

around. Entries should be brought to the society building on Elm Street between 10 and 11 a.m. with judging at 11:30. While you're there you can observe Jim Coolidge pressing cider and purchase a bag of pumpkin goodies (proceeds to the PTA). The buildings will be open until 3 p.m.

On Monday, Oct. 19, the Andover Service Circle will host its annual Senior Appreciation Dinner with a social time at 4 p.m. and the meal served at 4:30. All seniors in the community are invited to this event. Service Circle President, An-

drea Savitz says "Even if you didn't get a formal invite come along for a nice meal and fun time."

It's been brought to my attention that the flu clinic notice of last week said Tuesday, Oct. 22, but actually it's Thursday, Oct. 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Town Hall. Be sure to bring your Medicare, Maine Care, or other insurance card. For all others the charge is \$25. This is a great service for our community so be sure to take advantage of it.

Something you won't want to miss is the First Congregational Church bake and rummage sale which I'm told includes attic treasures that will take place on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. If you have things too good for the Transfer Station that you would like to part with, the church would be happy to take them off your hands and you will know they went for a good purpose.

On Monday the family and many friends of Archer "Junior" Poor gathered at the Woodlawn Cemetery for a time to celebrate his life. Junior was the holder of the Boston Post Cane as the oldest resident of this community, a man who loved nature and who shared its wonders with many throughout his life. Words of remembrance were given by several persons including his son-in-law and two grandsons. Following the service a time of fellowship and refreshment was held in the CEB thanks to ladies of the church and Andover Service Circle.

The Town is indebted to Ron White of East Andover for his devotion to cleaning, repairing and winding the clock in the Town Hall. Just recently Ron reported to the Selectmen that he made some repairs and improvements. We hear the familiar chiming on the hour, but seldom think about who makes

that happen, so if you see Ron White, say thank you.

### Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



The Whitman Memorial Library program is today (Oct. 15) at 2 p.m. Guest speaker is Kevin Mannix from WCSH, Channel 6 TV. He will be speaking about a book he and his wife wrote called "Weathering Shame." Questions and answers will follow. The public is welcome to attend at no charge. Light refreshments will be served. Larry Billings is having tests done at the Bethel Health Center and Stephens Memorial Hospital, and he wishes to thank everyone who is trying to help him.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at the Village Pizza Restaurant in Mechanic Falls for their October meeting. It was decided to bring money or food for the Food Pantry to our November meeting on Nov. 5 at the Locke Mills Church. Franklin Grange #124 met on Monday, Oct. 5 for a reg-

ular meeting. It was reported that 13 people signed up to make baskets at Harrison Oct. 10. This was a fundraiser for Lakeside and Franklin Grange together. A new member joined. If more members don't come support the Grange it may have to close after being a part of this community for around 145 years. There will be a Mock Hee Haw Show at the Grange Hall on Saturday, Nov. 7, the first Saturday of November. Good music, and refreshments on sale. The program is on Cats and Dogs with quizzes and jokes. Next meeting is Oct. 19.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15 for all ages, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Services at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. is Mid-Week Services; also Bloom for Girls 13 to 18 years and Foundation for guys 15 years and up. Sunday, Oct. 4, 17 members of our family traveled to Gorham to the Town & Country Inn for their family-style dinner, very good. We celebrated Ken's birthday.

On Saturday, Oct. 3 the firemen held their Parade of

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Lights. They had a good parade and plenty of food at the Fire Station following the parade. It was well attended. Joseph Hoyt spent the night at his grandparents Ken and Alice Hoyt Saturday night.

## Gilead

By Lin Chapman



Well, the leaves have finally turned color and there seems to be a lot of reds. The long Columbus Day weekend traffic on Route 2 was quite heavy with all the leaf peepers.

My brother, Steve McLain, has finally given up on his potted tomato plants. They have survived so far without being damaged by frost.

Last Friday night, Hugh and I got an e-mail from our night photographer friend, Gary Knapp. He was headed for Gilead to take a photo of the train headed west toward Berlin, N.H. and wanted us to be in the picture. He lives in Vermont and travels around mostly throughout Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York taking night photos of trains. He likes to have buildings in the background or some other unique feature in the photo. He has set up here before and one of his favorite shots is of the trestle over the Wild River. He has a group of railroad enthusiasts who love to get his emails with the photos attached and a brief description of where it was taken. Some of the engines are brightly painted with different paint schemes that signify what rail line they are associated with. Gary arrived around 8:30 p.m. and it takes him about an hour to set up his lights and do test shots. The westbound train arrived about 11:15 p.m. and the photo turned out beautifully. This one will be printed out and posted in the railroad station with the other area photos he has done.

Our granddaughter, Sidney, had a long weekend off from Gorham Middle School (New Hampshire). Grampa Hugh kept her company at her house on Friday and then she spent Monday at Gramma and Grampa's house.

Peter and Claudia Risbara were at their Gilead House this past weekend. They stopped by the Gilead Historical Society to visit on Sunday.

## Gilead

### Historical Society

We decided to open up the buildings this weekend. The weather was cool so we stayed inside instead of setting up on the lawn. We had a few people stop by on Saturday afternoon, but on Sunday we had about 20 people who stopped. There were a few "locals" but most were leaf peepers who were traveling through town. Several mentioned that they were traveling on Route 113 through Evans Notch. They had seen quite a bit of color, but thought it should be a lot more by now.

Some of the "locals" that stopped were Norm Buttrick and Cathy McGuire, Peter and Claudia Risbara and someone I don't see very often, Beverly Brown. Bev grew up in Gilead and attended school at the schoolhouse. She is now our newest member.

### Town Office

Dog licenses for 2016 are now available at the Town Office. Proof of a current rabies shot is required to obtain the license. The Town Clerk is available on Tuesday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. Got any news? Call 636-2987 or e-mail chapman@hotmail.com.

## Hanover

By Maria Holloway



**Fall Festival**  
Last Saturday's Festival of Fall began with a visit from an elusive black bear who meandered his way across Route

2 at about 9 a.m. just as the Festival was opening. The bear was seen for a fleeting moment making his way between parked cars at the Library driveway as he attempted to approach the Library front lawn. But a commotion from drivers honking their horns sent him retreating back across Route 2 and into the woods from where he came. Thankfully, he escaped unscathed, and within minutes, life in Hanover returned back to normal.

A brisk fall day it was! The crowd was entertained by Lisa Ferguson and her husband Jon with original songs accompanied by acoustic guitar and percussion. The Yard Sale was a huge success as patrons streamed in and made purchases throughout the day. Many big ticket items were seen being hauled away in truck beds and stuffed into car trunks. The snack bar satisfied hungry customers with a fabulous homemade chili which warmed visitors chilled by the biting winds. Others stopped into the Library to seek respite from the cold and purchased some of the beautiful handicrafts made by the Library Busy Bees. By noon the winds died down and everyone enjoyed the warmth of the autumn sun.

At 2 p.m. the Theme Basket Raffles were drawn. The winners were as follows: Sally Carey (Christmas Basket); Sally Pulia (Movie Time); Jane Gaudette (Girl's Day); Ed Kennett (Quilt Kit Basket and "Hand it Over" \$100 bill); Jolan Ippolito (What's in a Lady's Purse); Brenda Gross (Spice of Life); Lynn Lyons (Man's Basket); and Sharon Madore (50/50 raffle). Thanks to all who came to support this annual fundraising event and to the many Library friends and volunteers whose hard work and dedication made it all possible!

### Update on Andy House

The windows and doors were installed last Friday at the new Andy Barlow home. Soon the interior finish work will begin. Andy and friends enjoyed the warm afternoon sunshine, beautiful views, good company and friendly conversation last weekend from the front porch.

Those wishing to pledge to Ben Byam's weight loss challenge to benefit the Andy Project may make their pledges by stopping into the Library or Hanover Town Office. The official "weigh out" will be in November and Ben tells us that he is making great progress! Thank you, Ben and good luck.

I know you have news, comments or questions. Please drop me an e-mail at HanoverMENews@gmail.com.

## Locke's Mills

By Amy Wight Chapman

Our run of beautiful fall weather continues! Many people have been remarking on how beautiful the foliage is, in spite of having gotten a late start this year. There are always lots of leaf peepers in the area over the Columbus Day weekend, but often the foliage is past its peak by then and sometimes a strong wind or hard rain has already brought many of the leaves down. Not this year, though.

I've taken a photo during the height of the fall foliage from the same spot on the Johnny's Bridge Road for the past three years, and it's interesting to compare the dates of the photos. Two years ago the color was at its peak when I took a photo on Sept. 29, while this year it was just reaching its most dramatic point when I was there on Sunday. A photo I took there a week earlier shows hardly any fall color at all.

There was a lot of traffic on the roads all through the

holiday weekend, and when I was trying to take photos on Johnny's Bridge, I had to wait for two cars that stopped on the bridge so their drivers could get out and photograph Round Pond, North Pond, and Buck's Ledge, with the colors reflected in the water. Then Polly Jordan came along at the end of a leaf-peeping Sunday drive, and she and I agreed on how lucky we are to get to live in this beautiful place, not just visit for a long weekend.

Speaking of Columbus Day, a movement to end the celebration of the holiday (or replace it with one called Indigenous People's Day) is gaining momentum across North and South America, and I've come to realize that the near-reverence with which Columbus was regarded when I was studying the early explorers back in the fourth grade was sadly misplaced. Far from being a hero, Columbus was in actuality a cruel mercenary who was motivated by the conquest and exploitation of the New World's indigenous peoples.

Howard Zinn wrote of Columbus and his men, in A People's History of the United States, "In the year 1495, they went on a great slave raid, rounded up fifteen hundred Arawak men, women, and children, put them in pens guarded by Spaniards and dogs, then picked the five hundred best specimens to load onto ships. Of those five hundred, two hundred died en route. The rest arrived alive in Spain and were put up for sale by the archdeacon of the town... Columbus later wrote: 'Let us in the name of the Holy Trinity go on sending all the slaves that can be sold.'"

He committed many other atrocities against the native people, including, according to Zinn, requiring all members of the Tainos in Hispaniola who were over the age of 14 to provide him with a certain amount of gold every three months. Failure to comply resulted in having their hands cut off and being left to bleed to death. Definitely not someone worthy of veneration.

After I submitted my column last week, I had the nagging feeling that I had forgotten something. When I was going through my e-mail folders later in the week, I realized that Joyce Hathaway had sent a notice about the harvest supper and dance at the Legion Hall, which was on Tuesday this week. I usually move any e-mails containing news for the column to a separate folder so I can find them easily, but I had inadvertently moved this one to the wrong folder, so it had gotten lost. I apologize for the omission!

E-mail your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com, leave a message at 875-5511, or contact me on Facebook.

## Mason

By Richard Grover



Mona and I enjoyed a nearly month long trip westward to visit family, returning late on Oct. 2. This time we swung a little further southwest to Carson City, Nev. to visit oldest brother Paul's son Gary and youngest daughter Vicky and her husband Jim, whom we had not seen in five or six years. Our return across central Nevada surprised us with numerous high desert mountains which we didn't know existed. We crossed five or six mountain passes that were between 5,000 and 7,500 feet high where we had expected to see only desert. Our return through the Colora-



The Hanover Fall Festival took place this past weekend in Hanover Village (see Hanover column for more). Here, patrons view the display of Theme Baskets raffled at the close of the day.

M. Holloway

do mountains took us over Loveland Pass, over 11,000 feet high. These mountains were in full mountain grandeur, with huge swaths of golden yellow aspens in peak fall color.

Our new (year old) Ford pickup surprised us both with its neat handling pulling the camper. With the "tow/haul" feature engaged the truck automatically downshifted on the steep mountain downgrades, so little additional braking was required. It even seemed to be less bothered by high crosswinds than we had encountered with the old Toyota.

Since we got home, we have been busy with cleaning up the camper, mowing grass, harvesting and cleaning up the garden, patching the driveway asphalt and topping off the firewood piles. Now, I am ready to get busy with logging. I must point out that we drove up the new logging road where Irish Company has been logging for the past 1 and a half years. Their road now extends 2.2 miles from the Kings Highway, crossing a high ridge just this side of Tyler Mountain. The view of the foliage in the Pleasant River Valley, seen from the top of the ridge is resplendent with brilliant yellows, reds, oranges and many shades of green. I don't think fall foliage anywhere can be any more colorful than here this year.

I almost forgot about my "nose job." I have received many compliments on the bulbous white bandage taped over my "snazz," placed there by my dermatologist after she snipped off a couple of basal cell skin cancers there last week. Trouble is, the bandage won't stay on, and the nose is really ugly now without it!

## South Woodstock

By Lolalee Dillingham



Monday, 10:40 a.m.  
Condolences to the families of Mary S. Billings, Jeanette M. Allen, Charles (Buster) E. Morse and William B. Curtis, Sr. Our thoughts and prayers are going out to each family member.

A great week for the Fryeburg Fair lots of warm sunny days for all the events, only one damp day. Many from the area attended. Yogi is working for Nadeau Enterprise. They have a lot of work to finish up before frost settles in. Yogi loves working outside and driving

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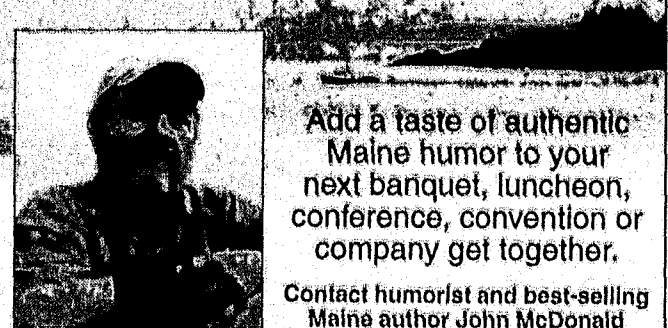
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truck. Paula and I entertained for the residents at Rumford Community Center last Wednesday. They always have such a wonderful time and we get them to participate with us in some sing-alongs that they are all familiar with.

Paula and I will be entertaining at the Ledgeview Nursing Home Tuesday and the Veteran's Home in South Paris on Wednesday of this week. Paula and I are so blessed to be able to spend our monthly visits with the residents throughout the counties.

## Newry

By Doug Webster



At last week's Selectboard meeting, Town Administrator, Retta Powers, gave an update on "Blue."

Blue was named by the staff at the Bethel Animal Hospital. The dog was brought in by the Newry Animal Control Officer after being found at the Sunday River Resort by Timothy Turner, Sunday River's Deputy Director of Public Safety. Retta said the dog was making a rapid recovery from wounds he received by having his muzzle previously taped shut. I hope they find the idiot who did this. Then maybe that person will have his head taped shut for a while. I must say I couldn't believe how good Blue's spirit was when I saw him on TV. The resiliency of dogs sure is amazing. Speedy recovery to Blue.

The Newry Community Church had its last service of the season on Sunday, Oct. 11. According to the Citizen, services will resume in the spring.

The Board agreed to create a new Veteran's memorial. They didn't really get into details. They thought it was best to form a committee to research it and come up with specifics. A great idea. We should do all we can to remember all our vets, as Jim Largess pointed out, whether they served during wartime or not. If you're interested in being on the committee, call the town office.

The organization known as BANC, the Bethel Area Non-profit Collaborative, came to the Board. Member Steve Wight and Network Facilitator, Amy Scott, were there to give their sales pitch to the Board members. They are looking to expand their membership to towns and anybody else willing to join. It sounds like they want to be involved and collaborate with all sorts of different projects. I am all for them helping each other out within the nonprofit organizations or any other business looking to network. But I am a little uneasy with the group getting involved with municipalities. I'm not sure why they feel they need to help the towns out. But I think it is best to keep a separation of government and outside interests.

I see the Family Dollar is open. The Chamber of Commerce's tireless effort to promote Bethel sure has paid off. We can now attract national chain stores. Keep up the good work!

That's all for now.

## Upton

By Joe Bernier



The State Line Snowmobile Club scheduled their first meeting of the season for Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 5 p.m. at the Upton House. I believe that the club will elect officers for the ensuing year during the meeting.

A few weeks ago, I mentioned that when my winter's wood is all in the shed, I will begin my snow dance. I have been informed that there are threats being made to my woodpile. It seems that at least one of my sisters plans to take the wood OUT of my shed and perhaps hide it, thus preventing or delaying the dance. That seems like a drastic step for anti-winter fanatics to perform.

The Upton Planning Board will meet Friday, Oct. 30. That meeting is the last one scheduled in 2015. Meetings will resume Friday, Feb. 26, 2016.

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## Andover Elementary School off to a good start

It has been an amazing start to the school year at Andover Elementary School!

We kicked off our year with a meet and greet night on Aug. 24, the week before classes began. This night provided an opportunity for students, parents, and the community to meet the new staff of both the elementary school and the newly formed Andover School Department. The turn out of attendees was tremendous.

One of the highlights to our lunch program is having fresh fruits and vegetables from local farmers. John Ricker from Simplicity Farms has provided us with fresh produce such as cucumbers, tomatoes, onions, and squash. Dick and Louise Kangas of Kangas Farms in Bryant Pond have provided us with a variety of apples. Students are enjoying the options and are making some healthy choices.

On Sept. 17, the staff, students, and community of Andover School Department gathered to commemorate not only the annual open house of the elementary school, but also to mark the beginning of a new journey for the community. Events included the planting of an oak tree and the burial of a time capsule. The oak tree

symbolizes our roots in the community while celebrating growing together. Students wrote letters to their future selves and community members contributed items to mark our past, present, and future for the time capsule, which will be unearthed and opened in 2030.

On Oct. 2, AES hosted our annual Grandparents and Special Friends day. During the afternoon our guests enjoyed recess with us and ate

a hearty Shepherds Pie lunch prepared by Michelle in the kitchen. The APT also provided the opportunity for pictures by our new oak tree and making frames to hold the memories. Visitors also spent time in classrooms where we read books, played Bingo, and students shared what they have been learning. At 2 p.m. we also held our first Friday Celebration where we recognized summer birthdays, students of

the month from each class, and each room presented their learning about respect. During the week of Oct. 4-8, we learned about Fire Safety and Prevention. Fire Chief Justin Tibbets along with two local firefighters, Kelsey Averill and Angela Percival came in to share a presentation with us. We learned about stop/drop and roll, stay low & go, and how to create an evacuation plan with our families. Students

really enjoyed seeing chief in his gear and learning about the various components.

A huge thank you goes out to all our families and the

community for helping to make this such an AWE-SOME year so far! - Teaching Principal Karen Thurston



A fire prevention and safety lesson.



Three generations of Percivals at the Andover Elementary School: John, Angela and Sophia. Submitted photo

### OCEA-R to meet in South Paris

The Oxford County Educators Association-Retired will meet next on Friday, Oct. 23, at the First Congregational Church in South Paris. Sign-ins will begin at 10:30 a.m., followed by the business meeting, a meal provided by members of the church, and a program presented by Karen Ricci. Her topic will be "People and Animals" and will explore the practice of reiki, a form of alternative medicine.

The October meeting is an important event because it involves the two major fundraising activities of the group. The annual pie sale will take place. Apple pies are being sold for \$10. On Wednesday, Oct. 21, some volunteers from OCEA-R will gather to peel apples and prepare for the sale on Friday. Any members who want to help should be at the First Congregational Church in South Paris that morning. The second fundraiser will be the annual calendar raffle, and it will be handed out at the October meeting. Donations to it should be handed in at the November meeting at the Locke's Mills Legion Hall on Nov. 20.

The September meeting was very successful. It was held at the West Paris Universalist Church. The group was pleased with the warm welcome they received and the excellent dinner provided by members of the Universalist church. The program was a talk by Emily and Chris McCabe of Maine's Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. It proved to be a dynamic presentation of the work of the department and personal experiences in the field.



**SLIMING THE TEACHER**-The Woodstock Elementary School recently held a "Slime the Teacher" fundraiser to support the fifth grade's spring trip to Boston. Teachers Jess Wilkey and Tanya Nicols tied for first place for favorites to slime, each garnering \$215.74. A total of \$516.30 was raised. Wilkey is shown here being slimed with a mixture of water, green food coloring, cornstarch, glue and Borax. The concoction was made by the fifth graders.

Submitted photo

## Sports



### Middle School Girls' Soccer

Telstar 3, Visitor 0; Oct. 8 - Thursday afternoon was another great day for soccer at Telstar. The girls' soccer team wore orange bands to show their support for Regan and they took the field with confidence. The Rebel defense once again did not allow any goals in the game. Ava Mastroianni and Talia Paaso took care of goalie position with strong support from sweeper Lily Drew, stopper Caroline Newell, and fullbacks Sam Miller, Abbey Landry, Caroline Seikman and Grace Boothby. Calla Orino sparked the offense with a solid shot from 30 yards out. Lydia Bennett scored the second goal with an assist from Livia Doucette. Bella Devivo added the third goal unassisted. - Coach Dow

### Middle School Cross Country

Meet at Kennett Middle School; Oct. 7 - On Wednesday, Oct. 7, the TMS Cross Country team traveled to Kennett Middle School in Conway, N.H., to participate in the Kennett Cross Country Invitational. Other schools included Alton, Berlin, Kingswood, Plymouth, Interlakes, Fryeburg, and Lake Region MS. There were many great runners out to race that day. A girl from Plymouth broke the female course record. Results for Telstar girls: 3rd Isabel Chase 13:59, 44th Emma Evans 21:11, 45th Sophie Hanscom 21:13, 49th Chaia Alford 23:41 and 50th Ella Tilsley 26:16. Results for Telstar boys: 28th Dillan Smith 14:53, 48th Utah Bean 16:03, 64th Logan Mason 17:15. Great job, team. - Coach Southam

## School Lunch Menu

SAD 44 School Lunches Oct. 15-23

### Elementary Schools

**Thursday:** Shepherd's pie or sun butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with cheese stick, green beans, dinner roll, tropical fruit.

**Friday:** Maxx sticks with dipping sauce or sun butter and fluff with cheese stick, cuke slices, blueberry crisp or applesauce.

**Monday:** Cheeseburger on a wholegrain bun or sun butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with yogurt, sweet potato fries, broccoli, fresh fruit choice.

**Tuesday:** Italian sandwich or sun butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with yogurt, potato fries, carrot fries, chilled peaches.

**Wednesday:** Cheese pizza or sun butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with yogurt, Caesar salad, 4-bean salad, chocolate chip cookie.

**Thursday:** Roast pork and gravy or sun butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with yogurt, mashed potato, cinnamon roll, peas, banana.

**Friday:** Pancakes with syrup or sun butter and fluff on wholegrain bread with yogurt, sliced ham, sweet potato puffs, cinnamon applesauce, juice choice.

### Telstar

**Thursday:** Shepherd's pie, green beans, dinner roll, tropical fruit.

**Friday:** Maxx sticks with dipping sauce, cuke slices, blueberry crisp or applesauce.

**Monday:** Cheeseburger on a wholegrain bun or hot dog in a roll, sweet potato fries, broccoli, fresh fruit choice.

**Tuesday:** Double bacon cheeseburger, potato fries, carrot fries, chilled peaches.

**Wednesday:** Cook's choice, Caesar salad, 4-bean salad, chocolate chip cookie.

**Thursday:** Roast pork and gravy or hot dog in a roll, mashed potato, cinnamon roll, peas, banana.

**Friday:** Pancakes with syrup, sliced ham, sweet potato puffs, cinnamon applesauce, juice choice.

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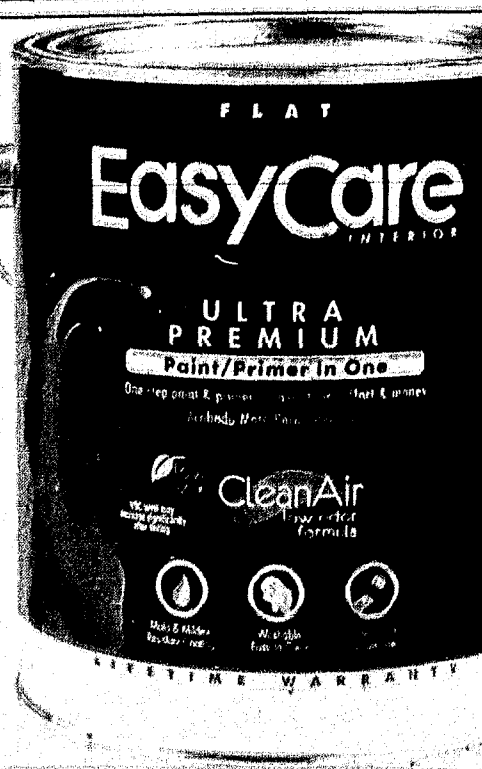
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## Maine Adaptive announces new director

Maine Adaptive is pleased to announce that Barbara Schneider will assume the position of Executive Director at the organization's board meeting in late October. The selection was made after a competitive national search and selection process. Barbara is succeeding Peter Adams in the position; Peter has led the successful expansion and growth of Maine Adaptive for the past six years.

"We are thrilled to announce this appointment," says David Van Slyke, Maine Adaptive's Board President. "Barbara has a strong history of public advocacy and will bring leadership and energy to our year-round recreation programs for individuals with physical disabilities. She is an avid skier and shares our deep sense of commitment to recreation. In addition to her significant legal career, Barbara has served nonprofits in program, fundraising, and leadership levels, and has a breadth of perspective and experience. Last, we are also very appreciative of Peter's leadership over the past half-dozen years, and he leaves the organization in a great financial and strategic position."

Barbara joins the team following a successful legal career at Murray, Plumb & Murray in Portland. She earned her law degree from Harvard. In addition to her legal practice, Barbara has more than 15 years of experience in nonprofit administration and is an active player in the winter sports arena; Barbara is a PSIA Alpine Level III ski instructor and has run the older children's ski and ride school at Sunday River Resort. Additionally, she coaches Gould Academy Competition Program's youngest racers.

"I look forward to joining this amazing team and meeting the hundreds of dedicated members of the Maine Adaptive Community," remarks Barbara. "I am committed to this organization as I have witnessed, first-hand, the unique opportunities provided to so many who may otherwise not experience the freedom, exhilaration or independence offered by taking part in sport. Maine Adaptive plays a key role in promoting access to quality, accessible sports programming."

Barbara's first day was Oct. 14, 2015. She can be reached via e-mail [bschneider@maineadaptive.org](mailto:bschneider@maineadaptive.org) or by phone: (207)-824-2440, ext. 1106.

## West Paris Historical Society news

Our September meeting was a fun night and our guest Rodney Abbott did a great job narrating the life of General Otis Howard of the Civil War period. The town is blessed to have this man in our community. Thank you, Rodney.

Our next meeting is on Monday, Oct. 19 at 6 o'clock with a potluck supper, a short business meeting, and Blaine Mills to talk about the history of Richardson Hollow, which is a section of Greenwood and a neighbor to West Paris.

Just a reminder, on Saturday, Oct. 31, we will have our annual Hunters' Breakfast from 5 to 8, which is also called a Family Breakfast. Come one, come all. It's always fun.

For more information, please call Betty Jones (674-2507).

## BHS 50th Anniversary Fund Campaign News

The Bethel Historical Society's "50th Anniversary Annual Fund Campaign" is now underway in recognition of the organization's forthcoming semi-centennial in 2016. The Society was founded at the Bethel Library on May 31, 1966, under the guidance of local historian Eva M. Bean (1895-1969). This year's campaign pays tribute to the Society's progress over the past five decades, while recognizing that many of its achievements would not have been possible were it not for the generous financial support of many individuals and organizations. Held each fall, the annual fund campaign raises unrestricted income that allows the Society to maintain daily operations at its two museums on Broad Street.

To assist the Society in reaching its 50th anniversary goal, a special category of "Golden Anniversary Donors" has been created for those who either donate \$50 or more as a first gift, or who add that much or more to their 2014 donation. Those falling into this group will be listed separately in the Society's next "Report of Giving" (published in 2016) and will also receive a commemorative thank-you gift with their acknowledgment letter.

Recent donors to the 50th Anniversary Annual Fund Campaign include Stewart W. Goodwin; Donald and Kathy Bennett; Walter and Carolyn Hatch; ExxonMobil Foundation Matching Gifts Program; Robert and Nancy Chadbourne; Jana P. Kibbe; Rotary Club of Bethel; YourCause, LLC Trustee for Chevron Matching Employee Funds; Mark and Ruth Boche; Anonymous, in memory of Rosalind R. Chapman; Stanley R. Howe, in memory of Richard Hale and Richard Valentine; Linda R. Isham, in honor of Tineke and Marvin Owning; Norman and Sylvia Clanton; Robert Albota; Carl R. Falk, in memory of Ruby Barbara Knapp Falk (1913-1977); Randall Bennett; Tineke and Marvin Owning; Catherine S.C. Newell; Nancy Stowell White and William W. White III; Rosemary Bunn Laban; Ned Robertson; Peter and June Rowan; Peggy Paine, in memory of Richard C. Valentine; Robert and Judith Bishop, in memory of George and Helen Daniels; Nancy and Henry Bourgon; in memory of Louis and Thelma Van Den Kerckhoven; Dennis and Wendy Carey; Judy and Lee Carroll; Tony and Amy Chapman, in memory of Alden and Mabel Kennett; Diane Dyer, in memory of Philip Turgeon; David Freiday; Joan C. Gable; Peter and Mary-Ellen Gartner; Michael and Katherine Giunta; Mr. and Mrs. Alan D. Greene; Jean Hankins; Cathy E. Howe; David R. Jones and Angela J. Connelly; Rebecca P. Kendall; Gordon L. Kimball, Sr.; John and Joan Kimball; Arlene D. Lowell, in memory of Robert L. Davis; Nancy H. Mercer, in memory of James K. and Agnes H. Haines; Fred and Penny Milton; Marilyn R.N. Mollicone, in memory of George Haines; Blaine D. Moores, in memory of Louise Lincoln; Martha M. Murphy; John and Lucy Nordahl; Hon. Roberta Pevear, in memory of Thirza Hickford Gibson; Charles and Betsy Raymond; Warren and Leslie Schomaker; Robert B. and Joanne Stewart, in honor of the BHS dedicated staff and staff emeritus; Jonathan and Rowena Stowell; Richard and Sally Taylor; John and Jan Todd; William Ullman; Jack Brooks; Guy Emery; Gay Gamage, in memory of Dr. Widd Twaddle; Good Food Store; Ken and Katherine Griffin; Charles H. Heino, in memory of Ruth Bean; Dr. and Mrs. Robert D. Iles; Bill Kieffer and Jim May; Art and Ellen Marshall; James and Rose Mary McLean; Ted Orino; Lou and Ray Prada; Glen and Jean Ramsay, in memory of Henry and Betty Robertson; Charles and Frances Richmond; Martha E. Sweat; Maurice and Doris Whitten; John and Susan Wight; Nancy M. Berges; Leland Brown, in memory of Barbara D. Brown; Sara S. Carson, in memory of Arthur and John Heald; Jan Hale, in memory of Richard Hale; Greg and Sandy Howe; Dick and Polly Johnston, in memory of Perley and Maenette Flint; Elsie and Ted Hewey, and Gete and Mike Quinn; Alice P. Keddy; David M. Kristol and Marjorie C. Brandriss; Mary Paine, in honor of Don and Eleanor Brooks; Susan B. Strange; Ronald and Joan Willard, in memory of John Jay Willard, Sr. and Jr., and Melva G. Willard; Joyce Wilson, in memory of Colwyn and Judy Haskell.

Gifts to the Bethel Historical Society's 50th Anniversary Annual Fund Campaign are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Checks, stock transfers or credit card payments should be dated no later than December 31 to be counted toward this year's campaign. (To make a donation in a form other than cash or check, please call the Society at 207-824-2908 or 800-824-2910, or e-mail us at [info@bethelhistorical.org](mailto:info@bethelhistorical.org).)



FOOD FOR THE CATTLE-Carter's Farm crews have been cutting corn in Mayville fields in Bethel for cattle feed.

D. Bennett



TAKING IN THE COLORS-A kayaker paddled the calm waters of North Pond this weekend.

A. Wight Chapman

## Annual ticket auction planned in Norway

The 2nd Congregational Church of Norway is hosting its annual Ticket Auction on Saturday Oct. 24. There will be over 300 auction items as well as some really great dollar table items.

Included in the auction are: Handmade bench from Don Gouin, Handcrafted painted nesting boxes by Bruce Davison, Vintage Apple Crate bookshelves and lots more.

Viewing for the Ticket Auction will be at 3:30 p.m. with the ticket drawing to start at 5 p.m.

Delicious homemade foods will be available like;

chop suey, fresh baked cookies and hotdogs for the kids. Cold beverages will also be available during the auction.

"The 2nd Congregational Church has a great reputation for having the highest quality auction items. We drive all the way over from Bridgton to just go to this auction," stated Phyllis Gardner, a self-proclaimed ticket auction addict.

The church is taking donations for the auction up until Oct. 20.

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### From the Director

Welcome to fall at MKA! We have been busy just getting to know everyone and new staff at our CPS site. Welcome Kayla LeVeille and Krystal Gould to CPS. We look forward to a great year of fun and learning. MKA continues to have staff openings so anyone who enjoys working with children, give Julie a call.

Our students participated in the Fryeburg Fair 4H Exhibit which showcased many of our summer art projects. The kids will be excited about getting so many blue & green participation ribbons.

Our First LEGO team is off and running with the challenge this year of recycling.

October is the month we celebrate "Lights On Afterschool". The Afterschool Alliance organizes Lights On Afterschool to draw attention to the many ways afterschool programs support students by offering them opportunities to learn new things—such as science, community service, robotics, Karate and poetry—and discover new skills. The events send a powerful message that millions more kids need quality afterschool programs. All of our schools will be celebrating with different events and activities. Check our our Facebook page for date and times of the events.

Enjoy the wonderful fall weather!

Julie Hart,  
MKA Director



With the help of our donated recyclables, we were able to make recycled bugs! When they were done they needed to tell everyone if made an insect, arachnid, crustacean, millipede or centipede.



"Air" Hockey championships. Parker Nellis is holding his 1st place for 4 rounds!



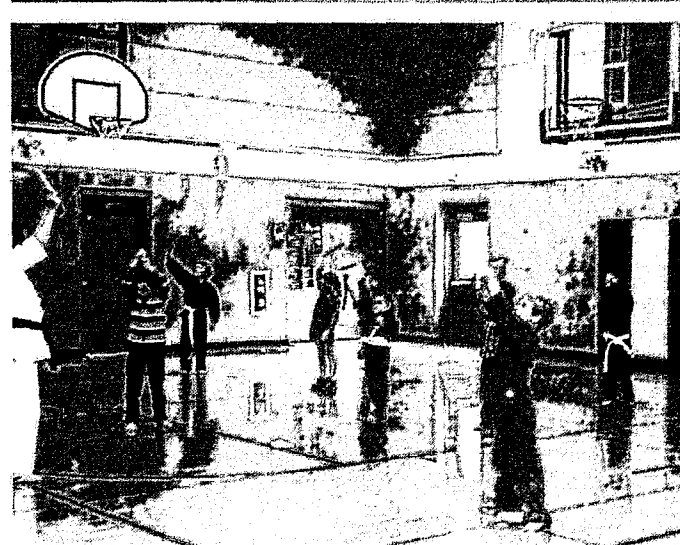
Building a volcano!  
We are looking forward to erupting it next week.



Making Leaf Roses for the Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Dinner next month.



MKA's exhibit at the Fryeburg Fair featured many of our summer art projects.



Our awesome MKA kids mastering the discipline of Karate!



Brenna Wilson with her paper Jack-O-Lantern.



Olive holding her beautiful leaf rose.



Dakota, Gabrielle, Skye, Megan, and Brenna take a rest on Woodstock School's nature trail.



Tanner Hart with his Halloween drawing

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**District Exchange;** Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

**Bethel Area Food Pantry;** serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street. Donations for the Bethel Food Pantry should be left on the porch at 57 Elm Street. Contact Dave Bean at beand@gouldacademy.org or 824-0369 with any questions.

## Oct. 15 and 22

**CPR and CPR Recertification for Healthcare Professionals;** Bethel Family Health Center with instructor Jeannine Thornton. Includes: adult, child, & infant CPR, and obstructed airway. 2 year certification. For CPR Re-Certification, just attend Oct. 15. Limit 6, \$50 per person. FMI/Sign-up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

## Thursday, Oct. 15

**Age-Friendly Community Project Community Gathering;** 1:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. Besides providing an opportunity for discussion, the Age-Friendly Community Project planning team will introduce a survey, to be distributed throughout the Bethel community to residents 50 and over. This gathering is a repeat for those unable to attend on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

**Book Talk with Kevin Mannix;** 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library. Mr. Mannix will be talking about his book, "Weathering Shame" that he and his wife, Linda Rota have written. Their goal is to help people benefit from their struggles, raise awareness, and to be inspired and encouraged by their personal stories to embark on their own journey of self-discovery, recovery or awareness. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

**Basic Ballroom Dancing;** 7 to 8 p.m., Crescent Park School cafeteria. Have you always wanted to take a ballroom class or just want to refresh your memory? This class is for you. This is a 6 week adult class. You will learn the basics of waltz, tango, cha-cha, and swing. Come with a partner and dance the night away and have a great time. Instructor: Bridget Whitman. Tuition: \$60/ single person, \$75/couple.

## Oct. 16, 17 and 18

**Meru;** Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m., The Gem Theater of Bethel, 23 Cross Street, Bethel (old Casablanca Cinema). \$5/ticket to cover the cost of the film and begin fundraising toward upgrading the largest theaters to digital.

## Oct. 16 and 25

**Hunter Safety Firearms Class;** 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 16 and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25. Study includes proper operation and use of equipment, maps and compass; first aid and survival laws; and land-owner relations and ethics. Participants must be 10 years old or older; those 10-12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. This is a Home Study course. Materials will be handed out and explained at the other class. Student must attend all classes. Limit 25. To sign up go to: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

## Friday, Oct. 16

**Elaine McMichael Art Show;** 5 to 7 p.m., Denmark Arts Center. Visual artist, Elaine McMichael, of the Gallery 302 collective, presents her love affair with the palette knife. Each image focuses on conditions that surround us and affect the way we live - the external factors influencing our lives such as light, heat, wind, movement and precipitation.

**"Music in the Hills" Benefit Concert;** All proceeds from the concert will benefit the Jasper Horecky-Power of Play Memorial Scholarship and the 21st Century "music for youth" program. Music for Youth is a before and after school program that provides children 5-12 with the opportunity to play instruments, learn music theory and participate in a choir. Tickets for the event can be purchased at Books N Things on Main Street in Norway or for \$15 at the door. There will also be a benefit dinner and concessions for cash purchase prior to the performance.

## Oct. 17, 24, 31

**Archery 101;** 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Telstar High School gym. Join Kayla Leveille for this introductory archery course. You will learn all about eye dominance, proper bow handling, proper stance and aiming. Closed toed shoes required. Minimum 5 students and maximum 15. We will meet out back of Telstar at the gym. \$45 per person. FMI/sign-up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/>.

## Saturday, Oct. 17

**Yard Sale;** 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from the Telstar parking lot). Household and estate items for sale.

**Laps for Leukemia;** 9 to 11 a.m., Telstar track. Proceeds to benefit Telstar students Regan Kauf and Jonathan Locke, both of whom are battling leukemia. Rain date: Sunday, Nov. 1, 1 to 3 p.m. FMI: 824-2136.

**Oktoberfest Craft Fair;** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Hope Association, Rumford. Hundreds of books available for all ages as well as a variety of crafters offering jewelry, home-made crafts, baked goods and a multitude of other merchandise. There will be a cookie walk and lots of raffles with something for everyone. Pancake breakfast: 8 to 10 a.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free coffee all day.

**West Paris Library's Buck-a-Bag Used Book Sale;** 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Raffle winners from the Oct. 10 book sale will be drawn. FMI: 674-2004.

**CPR and First Aid Class;** 9 a.m., Oxford Public Safety Building. Course includes basic first aid, adult, child, and infant CPR and the use of an AED. On successful completion of the one-day course, you will receive a two-year certification in accordance with the American Heart Association. FMI: Patty (671-4460).

**Foster-Carroll American Legion Auxiliary Craft Fair;** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., 12 Church Street, Paris. The lunch counter will be open. The hall is handicap accessible and parking spaces are available. For table reservations or more info, call Sylvia at 743-7231.

**Salem Witch Trials Presentation;** 1:30 p.m., Bethel Historical Society. Emerson W. Baker, Professor of History at Salem State University, will visit the Bethel Historical Society to present "A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience." During the Society's annual Stanley Russell Howe Lecture, Dr. Baker will talk about his in-depth research into the witchcraft hysteria of 1692 in Salem, Massachusetts. A public historian teaching courses on material culture, archaeology, museums and architectural history, Professor Baker's principal area of interest is seventeenth-century New England. Copies of Baker's book, A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience, will be available for purchase and signing after the lecture.

**Public Harvest Supper;** 5 to 6 p.m., VFW Post 9787, 58 Lower Main Street, South Paris. Adults/\$8, kids 12 and under/\$4.

**Snow Valley Sno-Goers Landowners Appreciation/Public Supper;** 5:30 to 7 p.m., Andover Congregational Church, Route 120, Andover. \$8/adults, \$5/children, children under 3 eat free. Landowners are guests of the club for the meal. Menu: Ham, mashed potatoes, green beans and homemade desserts.

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

## Sunday, Oct. 18

**Pumpkin Run;** 10 a.m., Agnes Gray School, 170 Main Street, West Paris. The Pumpkin Run is an all-ages 1-Mile Fun Run and Walk which starts at 10 a.m. and a 5K Road Race Run and fitness walk. The 5K race, walk starts immediately following the Fun Run. You may register online at [www.back40timing.com](http://www.back40timing.com), in person at Agnes Gray School, 170 Main Street, West Paris or mail a registration form to the school. Checks may be made payable to Agnes Gray PTO. Onsite registration begins at 8:30 a.m. at Agnes Gray School the day of the race.

**Finnish American Heritage Society Meeting;** 2 p.m., 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a short business meeting, Natalie Parsons will present a program describing her adventure to Antarctica last winter. She has some amazing photos of a part of the world not many people get a chance to experience. The public is invited to attend, share the coffee table and hear about Natalie's journey.

**Choreolab;** 2 to 5 p.m., Denmark Arts Center. Portland-based dance artist, Sara Juli, will host a drop-in lab for dancers of all levels. Sara and dancers from across the state will gather to share works-in-progress and provide feedback for one another. Following the informal showing, Sara will lead a discussion on community building in the Maine dance and performance field.

**Pumpkin Carving Party;** 3 p.m., The Gem (Old Casablanca Theater), Bethel. Love to carve pumpkins, but hate the mess? Bring your own pumpkin, knife and join us for a family-friendly party with hot cider and snacks. We have extra pumpkins and a few carving knives available. FREE event! Want to be a pumpkin judge or bake us some cookies for the event?? Email us at: [thegemtheater@gmail.com](mailto:thegemtheater@gmail.com).

**Bethel Episcopal House Church Meeting;** 3 p.m. The meeting will be held at a home in Bethel and the Rev. Nancy Moore from Christ Episcopal Church in Norway, will conduct the service and Holy Eucharist. For location information, please contact Rosemary Laban at 1-850-766-1241. Everyone is invited.

**Finnish American Heritage Society Public Supper;** 5 to 6 p.m., 8 Maple Street, West Paris. This international buffet features dishes from around the world in addition to delicious homemade desserts. The cost for adults is \$8 and children 12 and under can eat for \$4.

## Monday, Oct. 19

**Intro to Polarity Therapy;** 6:30 to 8 p.m., Telstar Adult Education Corridor. \$10 per person. This workshop will include an overview of Energy Medicine - what it is and how it fits into our 21st Century healthcare system. You will then learn about Polarity Therapy and its benefits. Instructor: Emily Ecker. FMI: 357-9954 or [eecker@gmail.com](mailto:eecker@gmail.com).

## Tuesday, Oct. 20

**Beginner Guitar Class;** 7 to 8 p.m., Telstar High School. This is a weekly course each Tuesday through Dec. 1. Students will cover chord-playing, music reading, singing and playing, and finger picking with instructor Simon Smith. Participants should bring a guitar and a curiosity to learn how to use it. \$45 per person. FMI/sign-up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/>.

## Wednesday, Oct. 21

**Beginning Ukulele Class;** 7 to 8 p.m., Telstar High School. This is a weekly course each Tuesday through Dec. 1. Students will cover chord-playing, music reading, singing and playing, and finger picking with instructor Simon Smith. Participants should bring a ukulele and a curiosity to learn how to use it. \$45 per person. FMI/sign-up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/>.

## Thursday, Oct. 22

**SeniorsPlus Distance Learning Program;** 1 to 2:30 p.m., West Paris Library. Hear Maine author Walt Bannon speak on his book "The White Pocketbook." Free with pre-registration. FMI/Registration: 1-800-427-1241. **Healthy Habits for a Healthier You;** 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Emerging

evidence suggests there are steps you can take to help keep your brain healthier as you age, which might also reduce the risk of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. FMI: Rosabelle Tiffit ([rmittiffit@megalink.net](mailto:rmittiffit@megalink.net) or 824-2053).

## Oct. 23 and 24

**Third Annual Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular;** 6 to 9 p.m., McLaughlin Garden and Homestead. Hundreds of carved pumpkins will line garden paths. Area students and garden volunteers will prepare the seasonal display. Those bringing carved pumpkins in advance will receive discounted admission. The ticket price, \$5 with children under 2 free, includes cider and popcorn.

## Saturday, Oct. 24

**Bake Sale;** 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Bethel United Methodist Church, 79 Main Street, Bethel.

**Annual Ticket Auction;** 3:30 p.m. viewing, 5 p.m. ticket drawing, 2nd Congregational Church of Norway. Auction items include a handmade bench from Don Gouin, handcrafted painted nesting boxes by Bruce Davidson, vintage apple crate book shelves and more. FMI: 743-2290.

**Public Chicken Pie Supper** 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., VFW Post 9787, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Sponsored by AmVets Post 777. Adults/\$8, kids 12 and under/\$4.

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

**SNAFU;** 8 p.m., Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Road, South Paris. Two hilarious Celebration Barn Alumni, Leland Faulkner and Michael Menes, entertain their audiences with outrageous sketch comedy, slapstick, hilarious characters, awesome juggling, crazy gags, and mind-boggling magic. Tickets: \$14/adults, \$12/seniors (60+), \$8/kids (17 and under). All tickets are general admission. FMI/Ticket purchases: [www.CelebrationBarn.com](http://www.CelebrationBarn.com) or 743-8452.

## Sunday, Oct. 25

**Singer-Songwriter Brad Hooper;** 3 p.m., North Waterford Church (on Route 35 opposite Melby's Eatery). A free-will offering will be taken to benefit the Deacons' Fund of the North Waterford/East Stoneham churches, which supports local families in need.

## Tuesday, Oct. 27

**Wilderness Survival Course;** 4:30 to 6 p.m. (this is the first in a 4-week course series that will meet each Tuesday through Nov. 17), White Mountains Community College. Instructor: Licensed New Hampshire Guide, Jeff Swayze. Tuition: \$85. This course is split into classroom discussions and field experience. Topics covered include shelter building, fire making, water and food gathering and more. FMI/Registration: Tamara Roberge ([trobberge@ccsnh.edu](mailto:trobberge@ccsnh.edu) or (603) 342-3062).

**From a Village in the Congo;** 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., McLaughlin Auditorium, Gould Academy. Linda Orsi Robinson, Doctors Without Borders in the Democratic Republic of the Congo hopes her book will "help raise awareness of how our actions impact the global stage." FMI: Amy Chapman ([amy.w.chapman@gmail.com](mailto:amy.w.chapman@gmail.com)) or Ellen Marshal ([ellensmarshal@gmail.com](mailto:ellensmarshal@gmail.com) or 824-2643).

## Wednesday, Oct. 28

**Brown Bag Lunch;** 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., Bethel Inn Library. "A Global Perspective," Linda Robinson. How can we improve our sensitivity toward cultures vastly different from our own? What responsible actions might be suggested? Linda's Down Home Maine presentation the previous evening will be a valuable introduction, but it is not necessary to attend both. FMI/Reservations: Nancy Davis ([nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com](mailto:nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com) or 381-1110).

**Community Supper;** 4:30 to 6 p.m. (No Charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road. (across from the Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

**We Jumped:** Reading and book-signing with the Remingtons; 6:30 p.m., Bethel Library, 5 Broad Street, Bethel. Brothers Bob and Tim Remington, champion skiers and ski-jumpers in the 1960s and 70s, collaborated to write We Jumped, which tells the local history of ski jumping in Western Maine and New Hampshire. They will read from their book and sign copies, which will be available for purchase at the event. Profits benefit the Ski Museum of Maine and the Maine Ski Hall of Fame. FMI: 824-2520.

## Friday, Oct. 30

**Community Supper and Presentation;** 5:30 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Doug, Andee, Ben and Chaia Alford hiked 350 kilometers on the Santiago de Camino in July. They followed the traditional medieval pilgrimage route of thousands who hike the hills. They stayed in hotels and hostels maintained along the trail. Come hear their stories and see photos. Beans, casseroles and homemade pies will be served. Donations will be accepted for the WPCC Smile Fund for dentures in the greater Bethel area.

**Halloween Dance with Joe "The Music Man" Sirois;** 6 to 8 p.m., Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Open to the public. Refreshments will be available. Donations are welcome and will benefit the Hope Association.

## Saturday, Oct. 31

**Craft Fair;** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Rumford Elementary School, Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. A variety of crafts will be on sale and the ABC Café will be serving lunch. This is the 22nd annual Craft Fair that is sponsored by the RES Parent/Teacher Organization. This event is open to the public.

**Bethel Masonic Lodge Haunted House;** 5 to 8 p.m., 6 Chapman Street, Bethel. Open to all ages.

**Fall Harvest Festival;** 6 to 7:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from the Telstar parking lot). Featuring Trick-or-Trunk, games, balloons, children's tattoos, cider and more. FMI: 824-2289.

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

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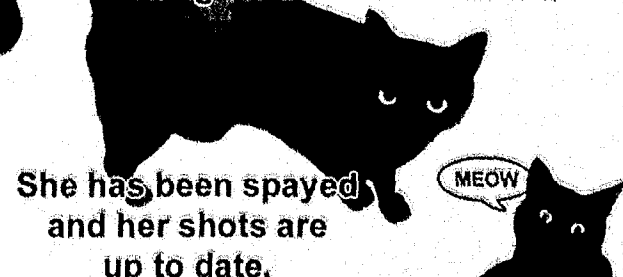
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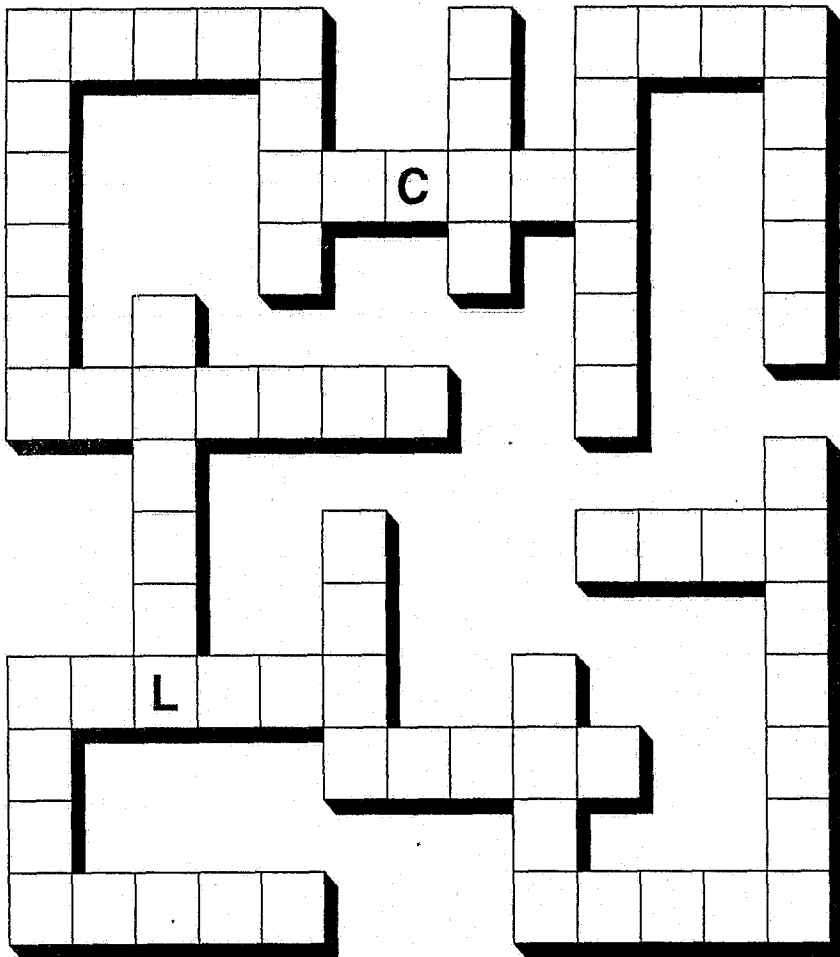
# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## CRISSCROSS – READ IT!

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

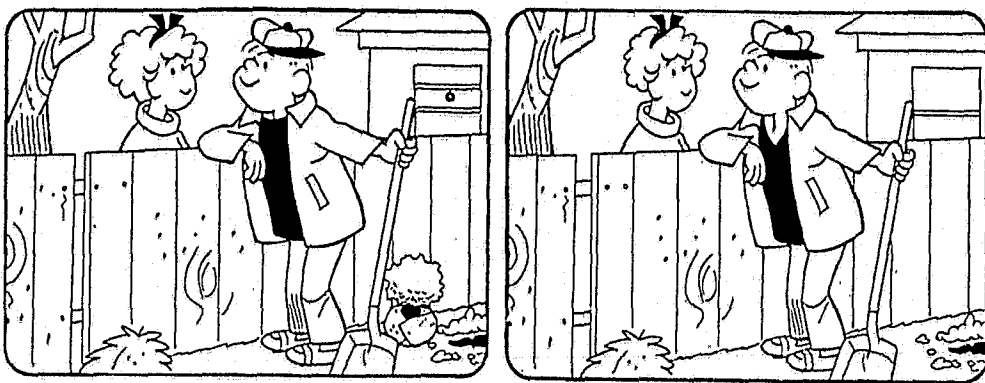
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BILL  
CARD  
CODE  
MAIL  
PLAY  
SAGA  
YARN
- 5 Letters  
ATLAS  
DIARY  
ESSAY  
LABEL  
STORY
- 6 Letters  
BALLAD  
MANUAL  
RECIPE  
SONNET  
SPEECH
- 7 Letters  
MYSTERY  
TRAGEDY



## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:  
1. Fence opening is wider. 2. Hair is different. 3. Neckline is different. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Window shade is missing. 6. Shrub is missing.

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: K equals L

LE O XOWGXOKK APNHFGN  
BHZKR WANLVG HZA OKK APG  
XOAAGNW, FHZKR APOA COVG  
PLC TLABPGN-TGNEGBA?

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## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

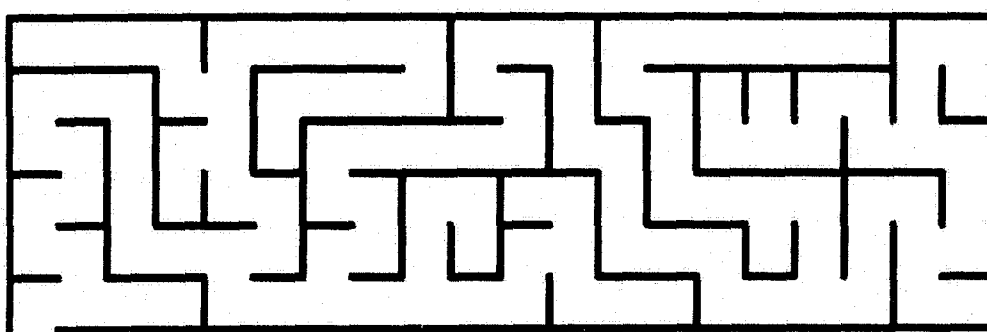


"Oh-oh, another

Filched  
LENTOS  
Stumble  
NULBRED  
Ace  
ARMSET  
Deplot  
PARROTY

TODAY'S WORD

## Kids' Maze

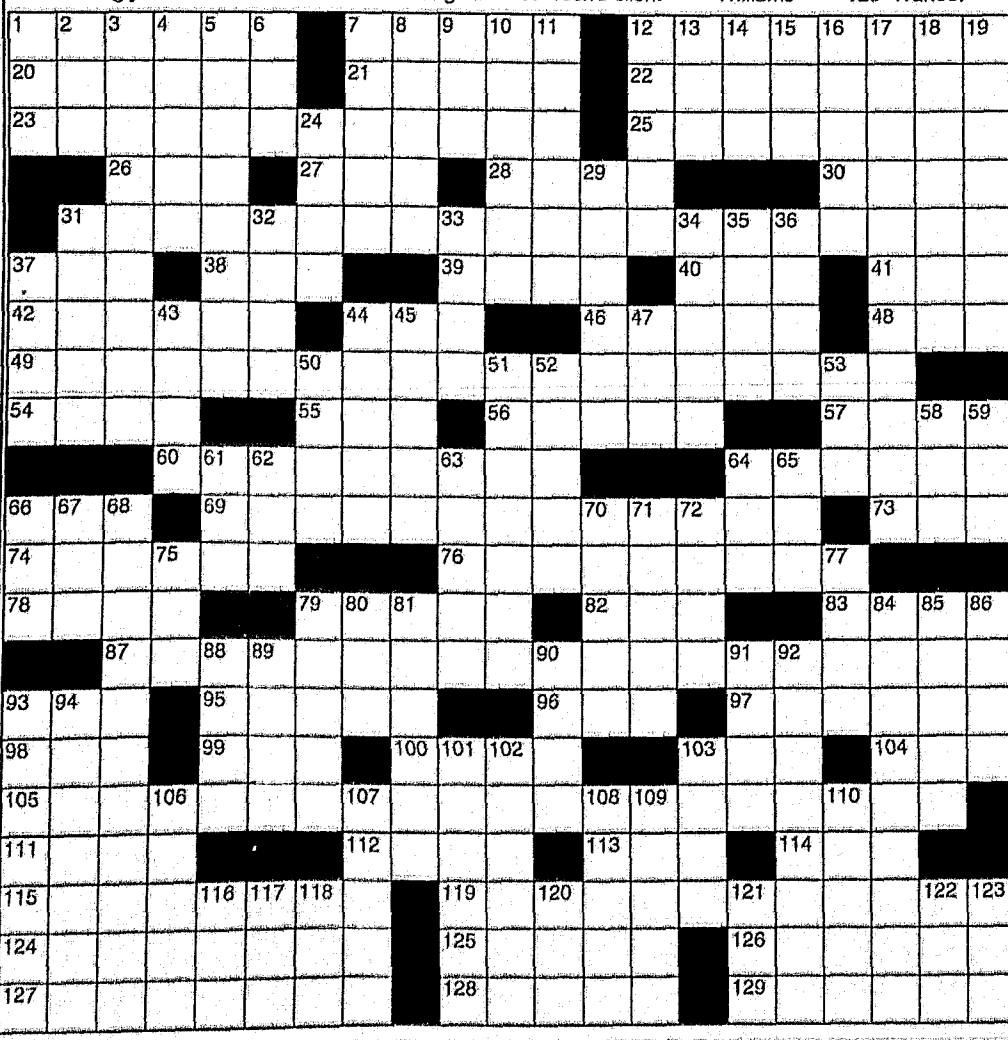


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## Super Crossword

NABBING YEARLY AWARDS

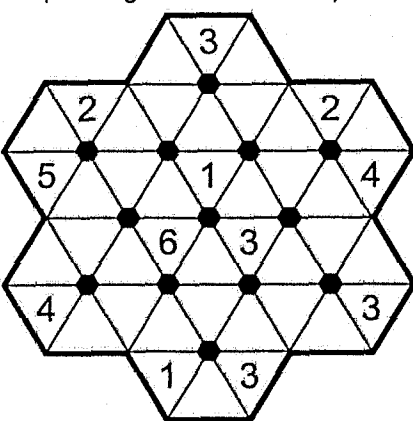
- ACROSS  
1 A hiker may commune with it  
7 Chop  
12 Gets entry to  
20 Worked hard for  
21 The "veni" of "veni, vidi, vici"  
22 Slope at the base of a mountain  
23 Start of a riddle  
25 Funny actress  
26 By way of  
27 Big vase  
28 Western U.S. gas brand  
30 Police attack  
31 Riddle, part 2  
37 Geller of the paranormal  
38 Naval acad. grad's rank  
39 Gender-altering suffix  
40 Punk music subgenre  
41 Fawn bearer  
42 Steady pay  
44 Learning ctr.  
46 Mimicking mockingly
- 48 Gender-altering suffix  
49 Riddle, part 3  
54 TV's Foxx  
55 "Bait —" ("South Pacific" tune)  
56 — Rock (Australian landmark)  
57 Colorful duck  
60 Mix with alternate layers of fat  
64 Priests, bishops, etc.  
66 Polar worker  
69 Riddle, part 4  
73 Ball holder  
74 Sword or rille  
76 Art of public speaking  
78 Falco of "Nurse Jackie"  
79 German's "love"  
82 Prefix with lingual  
83 Church area  
87 Riddle, part 5  
93 German's "I"  
95 Oven-dry  
96 Lines to Penn Sta.
- 97 Placed paper in incorrectly, as a printer  
98 Slangy denial  
99 TV title alien  
100 "— only known!"  
103 ROY G. —  
104 OR staffers  
105 End of the riddle  
111 Israeli diplomat  
112 Pressing appliance  
113 — Canals (Superhero linkup)  
114 Time gone by  
115 Appeals for  
119 Riddle's answer  
124 Competing directly  
125 Ring shape  
126 City near San Diego  
127 Those going off course  
128 Binge at a mail, say  
129 Hawk variety
- DOWN  
1 With 58-Down, Enya's music genre  
2 Hot tub user's sigh  
3 Worked hard  
4 — the cows come home  
5 Crisis signal  
6 Old Tokyo  
7 Oldsmobile  
8 The Huskies of the NCAA  
9 Light touch  
10 Mark in "Für Elise"  
11 View closely  
12 Frizzy dos  
13 Pigeon noise  
14 NYSE  
15 Summer, in Saint-Lô  
16 Biting  
17 Aid stretch in Egypt  
18 Weather-affecting currents  
19 Large hammers  
24 Wordplays  
29 Split along the grain  
31 Hunger for  
32 Novelist  
33 Longtime pop brand  
34 Princes, e.g.  
35 Present opener?  
36 Springy stick  
37 Tech's client  
43 "You — both know ..."  
44 Body of bees  
45 Santiago site  
47 Even, in golf  
50 Opponents of "us"  
51 Noel singer  
52 Water: Prefix  
53 Sport — (rugged ride)  
58 See 1-Down  
59 Caustic alkali  
61 Cpl. or SFC  
62 Heavy weight  
63 One-celled creature  
64 106, to Cato  
65 Zodiac beast  
66 Sheep that's a she  
67 Was in front  
68 Divine cure deliverer  
70 Role filler  
71 Layers of matted earth  
72 The Rolling Stones' "You Can Make — You Try"  
75 Stew lidbit  
77 Scottish denials  
79 Like lettuce and spinach  
80 "— all true!"  
81 Swimmer  
82 Williams  
84 Adobe Acrobat, e.g.  
85 Composer  
86 Camille Saint- —  
88 Pre-takeoff guesses, for short  
89 Lie about  
90 Blore or Idle  
91 Islamic VIP  
92 Coastal resort areas  
93 Eats  
94 Disabling wheel clamp  
101 Takes in  
102 Tire brand  
103 Org. with fraternal lodges  
106 Souful Baker  
107 Stops lying  
108 In the style of: Suffix  
109 Extinguish  
110 Press into small folds  
116 Playfully shy  
117 Ending for Denver  
118 Bare crag  
120 LGA  
121 "Alice" spin-off  
122 Enzyme name  
123 "Wahoo!"



## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

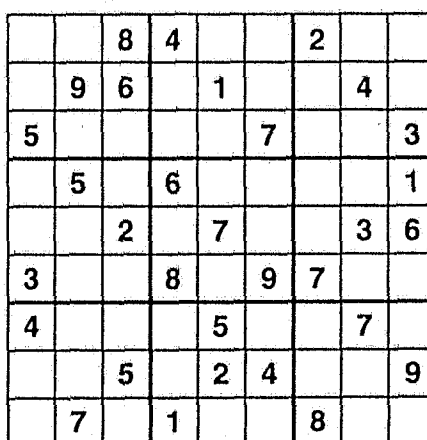


DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦  
♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

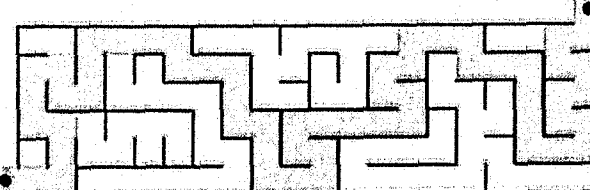


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

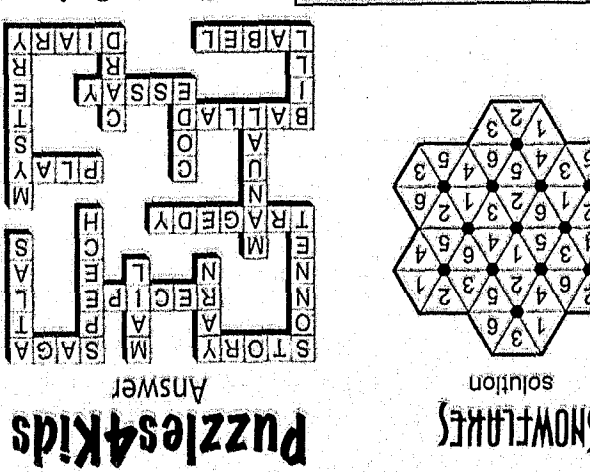
★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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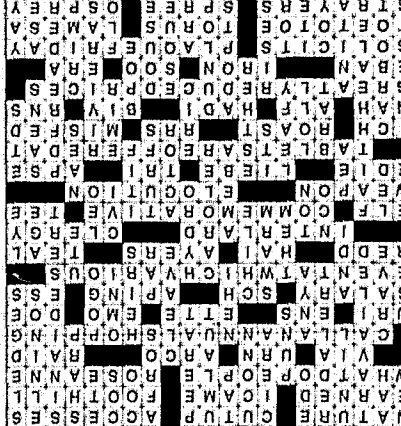


Kids' Maze Solution

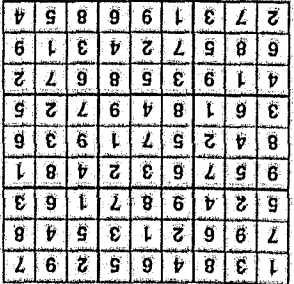
SCRAMBLERS  
Today's Word  
3. Master 4. Portray  
1. Stolen 2. Blunder  
If a baseball thrower could strike out all the batters, would that make answer



SNOWFLAKES solution



Super Crossword



Weekly SUDOKU

ANSWERS:



## WMVH Tree of Caring bulbs for sale

Once again, it is time to start preparing for the Holiday season, and members of the Western Maine Veterans' Advisory Committee (WMVAC) are selling Christmas bulbs to light the tree located at the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris. The bulbs are for sale for \$5 each, and may be purchased in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone close to the heart.

"The tree has grown immensely over the past several years, and each year we have more lights on it, states Joe Cooney, co-chairman of WMVAC. This fundraiser has become a local tradition and our residents look forward to the tree lighting ceremony held when the tree becomes fully lit." The community is always invited as well as staff, residents and families to see this lighting.

This year's lighting ceremony will take place at the Maine Veterans' Home located at 477 High Street in South Paris on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015, at 7 p.m. There will be music, refreshments and plenty of good cheer.

Bulbs are available for purchase for \$5 each. Payment can be made by sending a check to Maine Veterans' Home, c/o Richard Young, 477 High Street, South Paris, Maine 04281, or by stopping at the facility. Please include the name of the person to be on the bulb and remember to signify whether it is honor of or in memory of that person.

WMVAC works throughout the year by doing many varied fund raising events to raise money for the Activities Fund at the South Paris facility. For more information about the Tree of Caring or about the Maine Veterans' Home, call (207) 743-6300, or visit us at our website at [www.mainevets.org](http://www.mainevets.org).

The River Valley Rotary Club's 22nd Annual Oktoberfest Craft Fair will be held indoors at Hope Association on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event is one of the Rotary's clubs missions to support literacy in our community. Hundreds of books are available for all ages. There will be a variety of crafters offering jewelry, homemade crafts, baked goods and a multitude of other merchandise. Many raffles and winners will be drawn at the end of the day. Each child attending will be able to play a variety of games for .25 and pick a free book from the Children's room.

If you haven't found that special gift, you are sure to find it here. Check out Hope Association's Facebook page for happenings. There will be a cookie

walk and lots of raffles with something for everyone. Drawings will be at the end of the day. You do not need to be present to win. A delicious pancake

breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free coffee all day. This event is sponsored by River Valley Rotary and the

Hope Association. Proceeds help support both of their Missions, scholarships, the Interact Youth Club, and special projects and outings for those that attend Hope.



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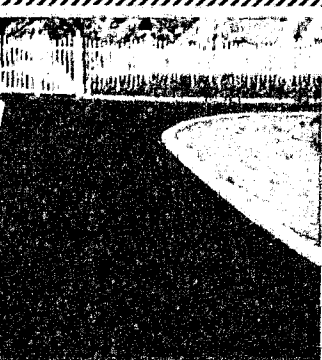
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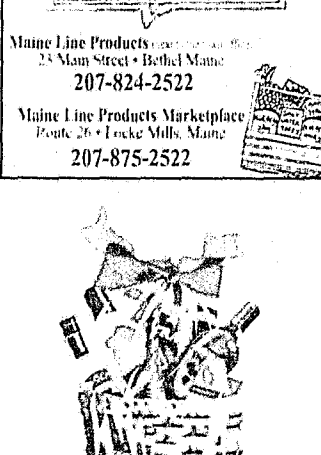


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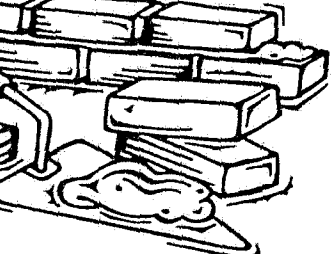
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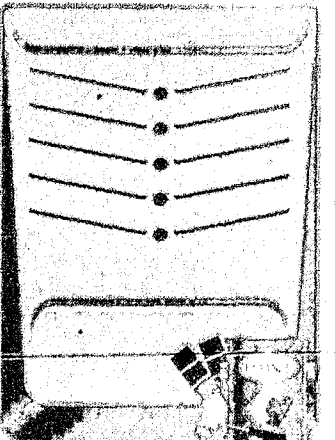


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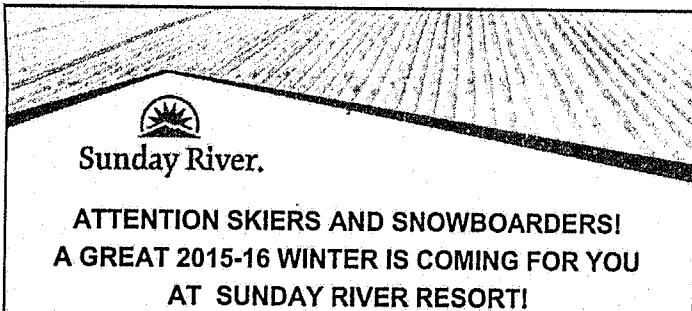
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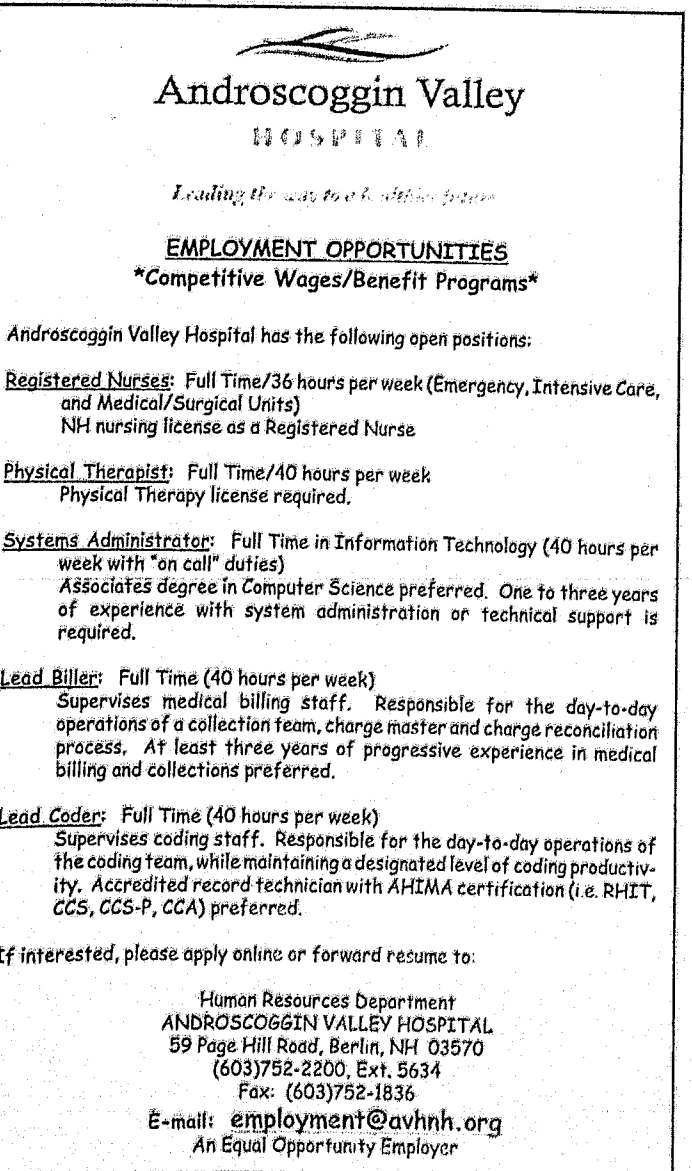
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To apply please send resume or apply in person at:

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**Position Available Outreach Coordinator**

The River Valley Healthy Communities Coalition is seeking a part time (up to 34 hrs.) Coalition Outreach Coordinator to enhance community engagement in preventing youth substance use in the River Valley Service area of Oxford County. The Outreach Coordinator develops relationships with local parents, law enforcement, civic and youth organizations, businesses, schools, other organizations, and individuals to mobilize volunteer efforts and synergy around youth substance and tobacco use. The Outreach Coordinator will work closely with our DFC Manager, following the established DFC grant work plan developed by the Coalition to produce, monitor, and measure short term and long term project outcomes.

Successful applicants will be energetic, self-starters who are able to function comfortably in a team environment or independently and relate well to co-workers, health care providers and the public. This position requires flexibility and the ability to manage time and multiple tasks with little supervision. Bachelor's degree in health-related field is preferred; however, equivalent related work experience may be considered. Exceptional writing and interpersonal communication skills and ability to interact with wide range of stakeholders are essential. Detailed knowledge of all current Microsoft Office software programs is required. Applicant must be comfortable interacting with the public and conducting presentations and must have Maine driver's license and reliable transportation.

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The Board of Selectmen will take all bids under advisement at the October 19, 2015 Board meeting. The Town of Bethel reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any formality or irregularity and to make the award in the best interest of the Town of Bethel as the owner.

Make: International Model: 2554 Year: 1998  
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Maine Machine offers competitive benefits (medical insurance as low as \$4/week!) and pay, paid vacation, holidays, tuition reimbursement and much more!

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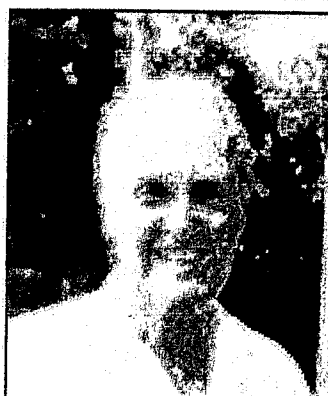
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## Obituaries



ARCHER POOR

Archer Poor, who lived all his years in Andover, passed from this life on Oct. 3 at the age of 96. Known for his independent spirit, a practical worldview and a natural ease with people of every variety, he was beloved by all who knew him. Junior was born on May 8, 1919 to Archer and Susie Goodwin Poor who raised their son in the ways of western Maine where his love of nature grew. He graduated from Andover High School in 1936.

On March 19, 1941, Junior entered the US Selective Service, 43rd Division, and

was sent to the South Pacific where he fought at New Caledonia, Guadalcanal, and the Philippines until August 1945. He received many military honors including a Purple Heart and in 2010 was awarded a Gold Star for his service.

Back in Andover, Junior's life began anew in 1947 with marriage to Frances Delong, then the birth of two daughters, Penelope and Paula, then a son, Peter. Today they and their families carry on his traditions.

Junior's lifelong work was as a Registered Maine Guide and manager of Camp Bellevue on Upper Richardson. He learned to graft apple trees, made snowshoes and axe handles. In the early springtime he made maple syrup in his sap house that he turned into candies to share at Christmas. He loved hunting, snowmobiling, and fly fishing. He tied his own flies developing the classic feather wing streamer. Junior also enjoyed writing stories documenting his past.

In 1951, while exploring the shoreline on Upper Richardson, Junior found a smoothly polished stone later to be identified as an Indian artifact. Thus

began his lifelong study and collection of Paleo-Indian and Red Paint artifacts. He shared his interest with his family and others who'd caught the bug. Junior's collection resides now with the Maine State Museum.

In 1994, Junior received the Annual Historic Preservation Award for his archaeological findings, and in 1996 he was awarded a Master of Science degree from the University of Maine at Farmington for his work in the field.

In retirement, summers were spent at his beloved Camp Clear Quill on Upper Richardson with his wife Frances and their "Kitty." Joined by his daughter Penny until 2004 when she passed away.

Junior's spirit of living and learning has its home now in all of those he loved and guided through a long and wonderful life.

Junior was predeceased by his wife Frances, daughter Penelope, sisters Althea Milton and Thelma Clark. He is survived by his daughter Paula McDonald and husband David, their children Ryan and wife Lorien, and their daughter Beatriz; and Cory and his wife Marissa and soon to be great-granddaughter. Also his son Peter and wife Belinda, and their children Jenna Tibbetts and husband Nicholas, and son Peter John II.

Friends and relatives are invited to sign the online guest book and share memories with the family at [www.meaderson.com](http://www.meaderson.com).

Graveside services were held at Woodlawn Cemetery in Andover on Monday, Oct. 12, 2015 at 1 p.m.,

followed by a gathering at the Andover Congregational Church CEB Room. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Congregational Church Food Pantry, PO Box 249, Andover, Maine 04216 or to the Friends of Richardson, PO Box 71, Andover, Maine 04216 in his memory. Arrangements are under the direction of the Meader & Son Funeral Home, 3 Franklin Street, P.O. Box 537, Rumford, Maine 04276.



MARY S. BILLINGS

Mary S. Billings, 94, of Bryant Pond died Tuesday, Sept. 29 at Market Square Health Care Center. She was born in Hanover on Nov. 6, 1920 the daughter of Arthur and Una Roberts Stearns. She graduated from Gould Academy in 1938 and the University of Maine (Normal School, Farmington) in 1941 with a Bachelor's Degree. She married Robert Billings in 1943. They ran a gun shop on Railroad Street in Bethel and then The Bethel General Store for 12 years. She was an elementary teacher in Wilsons Mills, West Bethel and Woodstock, retiring in 1980 after 20 years. She was a member of the Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens, an 80 year member of the Bear Riv-

er Grange and Franklin Grange, a member of the Bryant Pond Baptist Church, a charter member and past president of the Woodstock Historical Society. "She was the best wife, mother and grandmother anyone could have."

She is survived by two sons Larry of Bethel and Paul and his wife Vicki of Oxford; granddaughter, Tabitha Tolub and husband Joshua; grandchildren, Jonathan and Tovah; nieces and nephews, Sally Sawyer, Lillian Brooks, Elsie and husband Larry Bonney, Nancy and husband Larry Blodgett, Julie and husband Kevin Behnke, Arthur Stearns and wife Mina and Esther and husband Douglas Gerdman; a sister-in-law, Marilyn Stearns; many great nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband and a brother George Stearns.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Market Square Health Care Center for the special care Mary has received in the last four years. Thanks to Beacon Hospice staff for the last few months of care with special thanks to Kelly Thurston for her love and support. Online condolences may be shared with her family at [www.chandlerfunerals.com](http://www.chandlerfunerals.com)

Funeral services were held on Oct. 10 at the Bryant Pond Baptist Church. Arrangements are under the care of Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris. Donations in her memory may be made to the Bryant Pond Baptist Church or the Woodstock Historical Society, PO Box 202, Bryant Pond, Maine 04219.

## OCRCC hires two full-time dispatchers

Director James P. Miclon of the Oxford County Regional Communications Center/Public Safety Answering Point in South Paris has announced the full time hiring of Douglas A. Fillebrown of Waterford and Shawna M. Emery of Fryeburg as the newest members of the dispatch center team.

Fillebrown and Emery were approved by the Oxford County Board of Commissioners at the regular monthly in August, on the recommendation of Miclon. Fillebrown and Emery were serving as reserve dispatchers at the 911 center until their promotion on Sept. 1, according to Miclon.

Both new employees received hundreds of hours of classroom, practical, and on the job training throughout their prior year and half with Oxford County. Director Miclon explained that new communications dispatchers must receive mandatory and specific training through the State of Maine, National Academy of Emergency Dispatch, and other training sources involving the 911 telephone system, Emergency Medical Dispatch, law enforcement, and fire service dispatching, as well as radio dispatching, Computer Aided Dispatch logging, and acquire a Maine Emergency Medical Dispatch License, just to name some of the training.

Miclon said that Fillebrown and Emery filled two vacancies in the center's 12-person organization.

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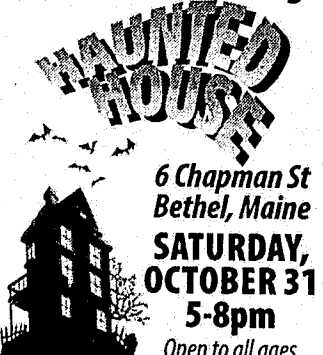
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## We Jumped: Reading and book-signing with the Remingtons

On Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 6:30 p.m., the Bethel Library will present a book talk and signing with authors Bob and Tom Remington.

The Remington brothers, champion skiers and ski jumpers in the 1960s and

1970s, collaborated to write *We Jumped*, which tells the local history of ski jumping in western Maine and New Hampshire.

Their father, Clarence "Rockin' Chair" Remington, was an exceptional four-event skier who passed away at the age of 51 in 1975.

"At 26 years of age, I didn't realize how much it would have meant many years later to know more about him and his childhood and experiences before my time," wrote Bob Remington.

"Forty years later, I regret that I didn't have the

foresight to realize that one day I would want to know every little detail associated with his times."

In writing their book, he said, "we decided that we wanted to provide a feeling for what it was like growing up on skis in western Maine in the 1950s, '60s, and '70s."

They chose to write about ski jumping because "it was a passion-filled sport which is sadly missing from the lives of our youth in the 21st century."

Join the Remingtons for a trip down Memory Lane and a spirited discussion of local skiing history.

They will read from their book and sign copies, which will be available for purchase at the event. All profits from the sale of the book go to the Ski Museum of Maine and the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.

The Bethel Library is located at 5 Broad Street, across from the Common. The event is free and open to the public. FMI: 824-2520.

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The family of **Barbara Young** would like to express our heartfelt thank you to everyone for their cards, love, and support during her illness + passing.

Also thank you to the Bethel Family Health Center especially Dr. DeCarolis and his nurse Faye, Stephens Memorial Hospital Emergency Department for their care and compassion, Bethel Rescue, I-Care paramedics, and The Hospice House in Auburn who provided exceptional care.

Bob & Anita Remington & family  
Bill Young & family  
Bruce Young & family

**Terri-Lynn Perry**  
Oct. 15, 1968

I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death.

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